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AGENTS WANTED—To sell the best selling household articles yet invented; large profits and sure to sell. For particulars address R. M. GORDON, Lewiston, Maine. 22-tf

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A YOUNG MAN, nineteen years of age would like a chance in an undertaker's shop, can furnish best of references. Address A., Press Office. 30-1

WANTED.—Ladies to know that Mrs. Dr. Sherman still remains at 42 South street, in treatment of corns, outgrowing joints and ingrowing nails. Outgrowing joints a specialty. Will call at residence if desired without extra charge. Corns removed for 25 cents. 29-1

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WANTED—People to know that only a few days remain in which to purchase 50 cents worth of clothing or gents furnishing goods and have a guess on the watch at IRA F. CLARK'S, opposite Preble House, who is selling 100 dozen 40 and 50 cent neckties at 25 cents each and Lundborg's celebrated perfumery at wholesale prices 24-1

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WANTED—A smart honest boy. Apply to CHISHOLM BROS., 525 Commercial St. 23-1

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FROM 15 to 18 years of age with 2 or 3 years experience in Dry & Fancy Goods business. Must be active, smart and well recommended. A good permanent situation guaranteed to the right one. Apply at L. D. STROUT'S. dec30 d1w

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Wanted.

AN active reliable salesman to sell a line of misses' and children's boots and shoes to retail trade; goods very desirable and will sell readily. For particulars address, LEATHER, Salem, Mass. dec18d2w

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A FEW good shoe cutters wanted. Apply to KEENE BROTHERS, Skowhegan, Maine. dec17 d2w

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TO LET—Lower rent in house on Douglass St.; eight rooms, six on the flat. Sebago water; rent $9. Inquire of GEO. W. BURNHAM, 1091 Congress St. 29-2

STABLE TO LET—On Vine St. Inquire at W. Ruby's Saloon, 25 Pearl St. 29-tf

TO LET—1 rent 168 Danforth St.; 1 rent 43 Hampshire St.; 1 rent 41 Newbury St. Apply to A. D. BOYD, 161 Newbury St., or 363 Fore St. 28-1

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TO LET—A good tenement at 49 Green street, gas and sebago. Enquire of J. C. WOODMAN, 105½ Exchange St. 23-1

TO LET—Will lease a first class brick house, centrally located, contains 12 rooms, hot water bath room, steam heated, set marble bowls, frescoed throughout; to a desirable party rent $600; also two rents $15.00, one $8.00. N. S. GARDINER, No. 40 Exchange St. 23-1

FOR RENT—The lower tenement in No. 89 Pleasant street and stable, good repair, central location, $15.00 per month. B. SHAW, 48½ Exchange St. 23-1

FOR RENT—House No. 40 South St., sunny exposure; central location: 9 rooms; convenient and comfortable; rent $23 per month. BENJAMIN SHAW, 48½ Exchange St. 25-1

To Let.

STORE No. 47 Exchange street, now occupied by L. C. Young; possession given October 1. Enquire of JOHN P. THOMAS, No. 151 Middle street. aug29d

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STORES in the Thompson Block, Nos. 117, 119, 121 and 123 Middle street, a few doors below the post office; fitted suitable for wholesale or retail business, with light, finished, airy basements. Rent reasonable. Enquire of H. K. THOMPSON, No. 164 Middle St., Portland, Me. jan14dtf

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LOST—Friday morning, 25 inst., between No. 46 Brown street and the Portland and Rochester depot, or on the train between Portland and Gorham, an Allington Change Bag containing a sum of money. The finder will be suitably rewarded on returning the same to No. 46 BROWN STREET. 30-1

LOST—Between Portland and Yarmouth a canvas wagon cover. The finder will be suitably rewarded by leaving it at W. W. TRUE'S, Yarmouth, or at P. HONAN'S, 88 Washington St., Portland, Maine. 30-1

LOST—On Saturday Evening, on Congress St. between J. E. Palmer's and Chestnut St. a portemonaie containing about $30; also a slip of paper marked Miss Sweetsir, 25 Mechanic St. A suitable reward will be given the finder by leaving it at THIS OFFICE. 29-1

FOUND—The place to get 2 elegant Cabinet or Panel Photos for $1.00 at HARRIS'S GALLERY, 518 Congress St., opposite Mechanics Hall. 25-2

FOUND—The best place to buy Wedding Cake is at DEERING'S Bakery, 399 Congress St. 29-3m

HORSE AND WAGON STOLEN.

$25.00 Reward.

AT White Rock, Gorham, Me., Thursday night, 24th inst. Description—Dark roan horse, 14 years old, weight 1000 lbs., left fore knee sprung, high headed; old Concord wagon, half new rim in one hind wheel, left thill wound with wire; common single harness, with new double harness head stall, with double harness reins. Frederick White, about 5. 7 in., age 24, weight 150 lbs., smooth face, medium complexion, light hair cropped short, blue eyes, dark sack overcoat, small checked dark pants, round top black hat with hat rim. White took the team, $12.00 in money and an old silver watch and chain. Twenty-five dollars will be paid for the arrest of White and the recovery of the team, with delivery of both to me. Any information leading to the arrest of White or recovery of the team will be suitably rewarded.

BENJ. F. ANDREWS, City Marshal, dec26-d1w Portland, Me.

ROOMS TO LET.

TO LET—2 furnished rooms, $1 per week each at 57 SPRING ST. 29-1

TO LET—A few nice rooms with board at DURANT HOUSE, No. 1 Durant Block, Nos. 536 and 538 Congress street, Fred A. Leavitt, Proprietor. Gas, electric bells, steam heat, bath rooms, &c. Everything new and first-class. Table the best. Prices reasonable. 28-2

FOR RENT—A few choice rooms at No. 639 Congress street; sun all day, heat by steam, excellent bath room accommodations; the location of the house its sanitary arrangements and perfect drainage with all its appointments is not excelled in our city. Call at HOUSE. 24 1

TO LET — Two handsome furnished lodging rooms at 22 Wilmot street. Also two fine 7-octave Pianofortes at No. 114½ Exchange street, at W. P. HASTING'S warerooms. 24-1

TO LET—A convenient room; furnished, warmed and lighted at a reasonable rate, at 114 OXFORD ST. 19-3

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Winter term will begin Monday, Jan. 4th.

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STUDIES IN SHAKSPERE.

A NEW class for the study of Shakspere with Miss Deering will be formed at Miss Wolhaupter's rooms, 148 Spring St., on Tuesday afternoon, Jan. 5, 1886. Ten lessons on King Lear. Hours from 3 to 4 o'clock on Tuesday afternoons. Terms, $2.00 for the course. dec29eod1w*

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The Great Gale at Minot's Ledge Light.

BOSTON, Dec. 30.—Capt. Fratus, assistant keeper at Minot's Ledge light, says that the storm of Thanksgiving week was nothing as compared to that of Friday, Saturday and Sunday. It was terribly cold, and during Saturday, with the sea breaking entirely over the pinnacle, the whole tower was covered with a thick coating of ice. Capt. Fratus has followed the sea from his boyhood, and he says he never saw such a heavy sea in such shoal water. During the storm the structure stood as firm as a rock.

The Volcano of Colima in Eruption.

CITY OF MEXICO, Dec. 30.—Great excitemen prevails in the State of Colima over an eruption of the volcano of Colima. Four days ago loud reports were heard, and these were soon followed by eruptions of lava, which flowed over the sides of the mountain, completely covering them. At last accounts the people were much alarmed, as the flow of lava continued. A white cloud overhangs the mountain, and on it are reflected flames darting up from the crater.

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THE WEATHER.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 31.

Indications for Portland and vicinity—Fair weather and slight change in the temperature.

The indications for New England today are fair weather during the day, winds generally from southeast to southwest, lower barometer, and slightly warmer, followed by colder weather on Friday.

LOCAL WEATHER REPORT.

PORTLAND, Me., Dec. 30, 1885.

	7 A M	11 A M	3 P M	7 P M	11 P M
Barometer.	30.073	30.092	30.056	30.010	30.054
Thermo'r.	27.5	39.0	41.5	37.7	34.7
Dew Point.	22.1	22.4	29.6	32.1	30.8
Humidity..	78.8	49.6	62.8	80.2	85.4
Wind.....	0	W	S	S	SW
Velocity....	0	1	5	3	12
Weather ...	Clear	Clear	Clear	Clear	Clear

Mean daily bar...30.061 | Maximum ther....44.0
Mean daily ther..34.6 | Minimum ther....26.7
Mean daily d'w pt.27.5 | Max. vel. wind...12 SW
Mean daily hum. .75.7 | Total precip..... .00

METEOROLOGICAL REPORT.

(Dec. 30, 1885, 10 P. M.)

Observations taken at the same moment of time at all stations.

Place of Observation.	Height of the Barometer.	Thermo'ter Exposed.	Change in last 24 hours.	Wind Direction.	Velocity.	State of the Weather.
New London	30.14	33	x1	Clm	...	Clear
Boston, Mass	30.09	33	x2	SW	12	Clear
Eastport, Me	30.07	33	x3	Clm	...	Clear
Mt. Wash't'n	30.38	27	x9	NW	17	Cloudy
Portland, Me	30.06	36	x4	SW	6	Clear
Albany, N. Y	30.02	37	x6	SW	6	Cloudy
New York...	30.05	37	x2	Clm	...	Clear
Norfolk, Va.	30.04	46	x9	SE	Lt	Clear
Philadelphia.	30.06	40	x2	Clm	...	Fair
Washington..	30.01	42	x6	SE	Lt	Cloudy
Atlanta, Ga..	29.88	49	–1	NW	Lt	Lt Rain
Charleston...	29.95	57	x7	SW	Lt	Cloudy
Jacksonville.	29.94	63	x12	S	13	Cloudy
Savannah, Ga	29.94	61	x10	S	9	Cloudy
New Orleans	29.96	56	–4	NW	Lt	Clear
Cincinnati, O	29.77	44	–2	E	Lt	Cloudy
Memphis.....	29.86	45	–11	W	9	Cloudy
Pittsburg....	29.80	51	x12	SE	Lt	Cloudy
Buffalo, N.Y.	29.78	44	x12	S	9	Clear
Cleveland...	29.74	47	x10	S	10	Clear
Detroit.....	29.66	50	x6	S	17	Clear
Oswego.....	29.85	40	x8	S	16	Cloudy
Alpena, Mich	29.55	32	x3	SE	9	Thr'tg
Chicago, Ills.	29.61	38	–7	SW	16	Cloudy
Duluth, Minn	29.88	21	–14	NW	14	Clear
Marquette...	29.63	31	–5	NW	18	LtSnow
Milwaukee..	29.50	36	–2	NW	14	Lt Rain
St. Louis, Mo	29.86	41	–18	W	16	Cloudy
St.Paul, Minn	29.85	25	–10	NW	Lt	Clear
Omaha, Neb.	29.95	25	–10	Clm	...	Clear
Bismarck, D.T	29.91	18	–4	SE	9	Cloudy
St. Vincent ..	29.99	0	–13	NW	16	Clear
Denver.....	29.91	28	x8	SE	12	Clear
Cheyenne....	29.91	35	x17	W	14	Clear

G. LIEBMANN,
Sergeant Signal Corps, U. S. A.

MAINE.

An Alleged Newspaper Beat Captured.

[Special to the Press.]

SPRINGVALE, Dec. 30.—A man going by the name of H. H. Andrews has been soliciting subscribers for the Portland Transcript in this vicinity during the past week. Mr. E. P. Frost being an agent and knowing the man was an imposter, procured a warrant and arrested him. This morning Mr. Pickard, of the firm of Elwell, Pickard & Co., came out here and the man was brought before Justice Howard Frost and bound over to the grand jury. In default of bail he was committed to Alfred jail.

Officials Taken Ill.

AUGUSTA, Dec. 30.—Hon. S. C. Hatch was taken ill Tuesday, and was unable to be at the State House during the afternoon. Maj. C. J. House, messenger to the Governor and Council, was also taken ill by an attack of bleeding from the lungs, which confines him to his bed and he is unable to speak above a whisper. He is sublect to such ill turns, produced by his army service.

Ask for Clemency.

A hearing on the pardon case of Benjamin Holt will be given by the Governor and Council January 5th. The prison inspectors have recommended a pardon for the man on the ground that he is mentally weak.

Obituary.

BIDDEFORD, Dec. 30.—John Jameson, chairman of the board of selectmen and one of the heaviest real estate owners in his town, died at Old Orchard today, aged 59. He was once a member of the Saco city government and was the first town treasurer of Old Orchard.

To Educate the Children in the Mills.

SACO, Dec. 30.—The question of child labor has been strongly agitated here recently. Mr. Franklin Nourse, agent of the York mills, has hired a teacher and will open a free school for all employes under 15 years old. Four hours will be allowed for school daily and all will receive full wages.

THE LAWTON MURDER.

Missing Links Discovered in the Chain of Evidence Against Besse.

NEW BEDFORD, Mass., Dec. 30.—The authorities now think that they have plenty of evidence to prove that Samuel F. Besse was the murderer of Mr. Lawton. There was a missing link as to the presence of Besse as a certainty in this city, but during Tuesday witnesses were found who knew the prisoner personally and who testify that they saw him in the city on the day of the murder. It is now firmly believed that this link will lead to his conviction. A pair of rubber boots have been found (and the boots are now in the possession of the police) which have reddish stains inside. These are believed to be blood stains. The boots are believed to be those worn by Besse at the time of the murder.

New Hampshire Agricultural Society

MANCHESTER, N. H., Dec. 30.—The annual meeting of the New Hampshire State Agricultural Society was held here today with a large attendance. A new constitution was adopted providing for fifty directors in order to secure an active membership in every county of the State. The society is in debt $460 by the fair. Officers elected are as follows: President, Warren Brown, Hampton Falls; vice presidents, Warren F. Daniel, Franklin; E. J. Shirley, Goffstown; N. H. Clarke, Plaistow; recording secretary, Aaron Young, Portsmouth; corresponding secretary, Geo. H. Everett; Laconia; treasurer, Geo. W. Riddle, Manchester; auditor; Geo. B. Chandler, Manchester; and a board of 50 directors. It was voted to hold the next fair Sept. 14, 15 and 16, 1886.

New Hampshire's Insurance Companies.

CONCORD, N. H., Dec. 30.—The Manufacturers and Merchants' Mutual Insurance Co. of New Hampshire, has been organized under the provisions of the general laws, and the following officers have been chosen: President, E. G. Leach, Franklin; secretary, Lyman Jackman, Concord. One hundred thousand of stock has already been subscribed and policies of from one to five thousand will be written on stocks of goods and money on other classes of risks not previously fully protected by the companies recently organized in this State.

Burned in a Singular Manner.

JERSEY CITY, N. J., Dec. 30.—During a fire at the oil works of Lombard, Agnes & Co., this morning, Edward Johnson, captain of a schooner was horribly burned in a most peculiar manner. A small boat had gone adrift and to recover it Johnson jumped into the water which was covered with escaping oil. While swimming after the boat the oil became ignited and the sailor was in a sea of fire. He was rescued after being terribly burned about the head, neck and shoulders.

A Mormon Sentenced.

SALT LAKE CITY, Utah, Dec. 30.—Brigham Young Hampton, who was convicted of conspiracy to entrap prominent Gentiles, was today sentenced to the maximum penalty under the law—one year in the county jail.

BOSTON'S GUESTS.

The Congressional Delegation Entertained by Merchants.

Sketch of the Banquet and the Speeches Made.

BOSTON, Dec. 30.—The Congressional party which had been invited to attend the Merchant's Association dinner this evening, arrived on a special train on the New York and New England railroad at 8 o'clock this morning. The members of the party are Senators Edmunds, Allison and Frye, Representatives Tucker of Virginia, Butterworth of Ohio, and Collins of Boston. They were received at the station by a committee of the Association, and were driven to the Hotel Vendome, where the party was breakfasted. After breakfast the distinguished guests entered carriages, and proceeded to the State house, where, at 11 o'clock they were received in the executive chamber by Governor Robinson, Senator Dawes, Ex-Congressman Morse, Congressmen Haydn and Ely, Secretary of State Pierce, Treasurer Gleason, and Auditor Ladd. After inspecting the State House, the party, with the exception of Tucker and Butterworth, took its leave. They were driven about the city this afternoon.

The banquet given this evening was a notable event in the club history of Boston. It was held in the spacious banquet hall of the Hotel Vendome, which was beautifully decorated with bunting and flowers. Plates were laid for over 300 and all the places were filled. At the head of the tables sat President Wood of the Merchant's Association, who acted as chairman. At his right were to be seated: Gov. Robinson, Senator Edmunds, Senator Allison and Senator Dawes, Ex-Governor Rice of Massachusetts, and Congressman J. Randolph Tucker of Virginia. On his left were Mayor O'Brien of Boston, Senators Evarts, Hoar and Frye, Jonathan Chase, Congressman Butterworth of Ohio, Hon. Oliver Ames and Hon. John J. Long. The other tables were filled with Boston's representative business men with a copious sprinkling of professional gentlemen and others well known in national and State political affairs and journalism, among whom were Hons. Leopold Morse, Chas. Levi Woodbury, W. W. Rice, P. A. Collins, J. W. Candler, H. C. Lovering, A. W. Beard, Henry Cabot Lodge, Oakes Ames, E. W. Converse and D. Ely, Col. R. M. Pulsifer, Franklin Haven, Jr., W. Aspinwall, Col. C. H. Taylor, Col. E. T. Bowie, Messrs. Eben D. Jordan, John C. Paige and R. W. Emerson.

The dinner itself which was a masterpiece of the culinary art, occupied some four hours in discussion and the post prandial exercises occupied four hours more. The invitations issued to the guests who were expected to speak nominally confined them to the leading national issues of the day, but as the night wore on there was more or less straggling from the main points until near the end some of the speakers ignored one or more of the "vital" issues altogether and confined themselves to what was evidently their strongest point, and those who expected from the most eminent gentlemen present, straightforward expressions of remedies to be applied to the existing disorder of things were somewhat disappointed. The discussion partook largely of the nature of a congressional debate.

The post-prandian exercises were opened by President W. B. Wood, who made a brief address eulogistic of the integrity and charity of Boston's business men. He then introduced Gov. Robinson, who was greeted with three cheers and a tiger, as indeed were all the succeeding speakers.

GOV. ROBINSON'S SPEECH.

He accepted this enthusiastic greeting as tendered to the commonwealth, not himself, and extended a cordial welcome to the distinguished visitors present, who, though they may not have been favored by birth within the borders of Massachusetts, yet cannot have lived in the United States of America and not have known of Massachusetts and of Boston and her merchants. There are times, even in Boston, when a governor counts for something, but not on this occasion; and it will be gratifying to hear from these gentlemen out of their large information and experience, who have so kindly come to our chief city to speak freely upon the great topics that they must, as public men, be immediately engaged in. There is one subject upon which Boston merchants are agreed, and that is the prompt passage of a national bankrupt law; now that our flag floats over every part of our territory, now that in every part loyalty to the Union is recognized as never before, it is time this great nation, disregarding the little limits of boundary between the sections for this purpose, shall have the benefit of a broad enactment that shall touch the great and almost unlimited extent of trade.

SENATOR EDMUNDS' SPEECH.

Senator Edmunds was the next speaker. He opened by a facetious reference to New England weather, unexpectedly propitious on this occasion. We are expected to say something, he said, upon questions which are agitating the minds of members of Congress. In the invitations the tariff was mentioned, a bankruptcy bill was mentioned and the currency and silver coinage were mentioned as subjects which your representative men would like to hear discussed. Yet it rather struck me that it would be carrying coals to Newcastle to talk to the merchants of Boston of the benefits of a national bankruptcy law. You understand it as well as we and I rather suppose that among you present there is not one who does not believe such a law is essential to the business welfare of the nation. The fundamental idea of a bankrupt law is a fair division of the assets. The constitution of the United States which made us all citizens of every State in which we chose to take an abode, has given every citizen a positive position as of right wherever he places his domicile. So as it respects the relations of citizen to citizen, man to man, social indebtedness to social indebtedness, there is no such thing as a separation of interests. There is one unity of American citizenship, of American industry, American rights and interests, that belongs to us all, and out of it comes a necessity of uniformity. Everywhere in the republic there should be the same relations of trust, confidence and responsibility between the creditor and debtor. There is one thing rather wider and more worth thinking of. When we look at the jealousies and discords that are threatening society in all parts of the globe, we may be assured that it grows out of a fundamental sentiment of intrinsic discontent. There is no genuine discontent in any considerable part of the body of society that does not have some small origin of justice and truth standing, and the speaker urged the capitalists among his hearers to closely investigate these signs of dissatisfaction, with the end that the causes therefor may be removed and the relations between employers and employed be strengthened, upon a basis of justice and right. He also urged honesty among manufacturers and square dealing in all trades, and said if it be a crime for a man to get possession of another man's money or goods by any kind of concealment or misrepresentation, is it another thing for a man to sell to his neighbor, as some of our British friends very often do, a piece of cotton cloth that is represented to have so many ounces in the yard, but about half of which is made of chalk or glue? Now if we could provide a bankruptcy system that should enter into the morals of trade for cash and should be inspired with the principle that what is good between the borrower and the lender is good between the buyer and seller, the thing that you sell having to be the thing you sell yourself and the thing you buy having to be always the thing you expect to buy, then it would be a good thing for the country. It might be a good thing but it would not quite do for the sort of people here among us to mix up the question with a new relation of buyer and borrower and lender. The principle is one that enters into every business relation, and that principle is square dealing,—and when you have that principle carried into effect you will have made a great advance in the progress and order of society.

I was going to speak about the tariff, but as usual when I get up to do anything I go into bankruptcy at once. (Loud applause, during which the speaker took his seat.)

MAYOR O'BRIEN'S SPEECH.

Mayor O'Brien was the next speaker. After welcoming the guests in well chosen words, and after expressing a high sense of the honor in being allowed to take part in the exercises of the evening, he came to the point upon the silver coinage question, stating his positive opinion that if a vote were taken today in this city Boston would favor the repeal of the silver coinage law, and would be just as unanimous in favor of a national bankrupt law. On the tariff, he said, there was a great diversity of opinion, but he would say that Congress should move slowly and cautiously to obtain a just and equitable tariff, and then allow it to become a law on condition that its provisions be not changed for 25 years, which would allow the business man to organize his affairs and look ahead.

SENATOR EVARTS' SPEECH.

Senator Evarts was the next speaker. He said:

Mr. Evarts briefly discussed the silver, tariff and bankruptcy questions. Of the silver question he said: "You will find that upon this question of silver and gold great masses of men and a great neighborhood of great intellects take an opposite view. On the tariff I need only to call your attention to the elections for the Presidency and to the votes as taken in the Senate and House in previous years on questions of the tariff; and the same will also apply to the bankruptcy question. It has been suggested that this silver question is mainly or largely concerned with and influenced by what may be called the protection of patronage and the production of our silver. If this imputation of self-interest is to control that side then the great body of people who hold bonds are open to the same imputation, but that is not the great part of the interests or wishes of the great body of the people. They well feel that whatever may be nominated in the bond that the great body of this people are determined the debt is to be paid on the honor of the United States in the sense that the creditor is entitled to feel that he is to be paid and Congress is to act on it whether the continued coinage of silver on its present basis is to be suspended or continued, and that question is to receive its solution by as intelligent, dispassionate, patient and persevering body of men on one side as on the other. Exaggeration and vituperation in discussing the matter were deprecated by the speaker. He was confident that with a consistent and deliberate action on the part of Congress a determination would undoubtedly be reached which will be accepted till a necessity for further action arrives.

He said in this country there are rich men and there are poor men. It is a mistake of words to disparage us as having any rich or poor classes. There are no such divisions. People are equal under the law and politics. He favored a national bankruptcy law and promised it his hearty support. He also favored a full protective tariff and argued that this had been the basis of the prosperity of the country."

COLLECTOR SALTONSTALL'S SPEECH.

Collector Saltonstall followed Mr. Evarts. He wished it to be understood that he felt it an honor to represent such a President of the United States. However men may differ from him on the great questions to which our attention has been invited this evening, there can be no difference of opinion as to the honest intentions of Grover Cleveland—a man who is ready to sacrifice himself in every way, body and soul, for the welfare of his country. He strongly deprecated the continued coinage of silver, presenting numerous statistics in support of his argument. Of the tariff he said a fair and reasonable tariff, simple in form, and which, while affording all reasonable precaution, our varied industries would supply our national treasury with funds sufficient to meet the requirements of the government. This is what most of us here of both parties pray you Senators and Congressmen to give the country.

OTHER SPEAKERS.

The next speaker was Senator W. B. Allison. He favored a national bankrupt bill, and believed the law should be amended and not repealed. The tariff is the larger question, and coming from an agricultural State it might be suspected that there was a shadow of a difference of opinion there and in Massachusetts. I think I can say to you I believe the prevailing opinion in my State is in favor of encouraging the manufactures of the country, and that so far as legislation can properly accomplish it, it is our duty to take care of American labor rather than the laborer of other countries. Mr. Allison pronounced himself decidedly in favor of bimetallism, and argued at length in support of his position.

Senator Frye of Maine was the next speaker, and he delivered a long and vigorous speech, in which he denounced the silver dollar as a "coined lie." He urged the beneficence of a protective tariff, and earnestly advocated the fostering of the carrying trade with subsidies, if necessary, and the application of "the surplus" to this purpose.

Hon. J. Randolph Tucker of Virginia, was the next speaker. He declared that the only power the federal government had to tax was to raise a revenue for the support of the government. We have free trade between the States. If this has been a blessing here why should not it be a blessing when between all the countries of this world? The protected infant industries, he thought, had lived long enough to have reached their second childhood. God save us from a tariff that destroys the American shipping. Let any man in America buy any ship anywhere, and sail it under American registration and it will prove the unsoundness of the present arrangement.

Hon. J. V. L. Findley of Maryland, was next called on. He said that as long as human nature is constructed as it is; as long as the dual government of the States and the United States is as it is, free trade is simply impossible. Baltimore believes with Boston in discontinuing the coinage of the silver dollar and Baltimore sympathizes with Boston in its efforts to pass a national bankruptcy law. He advocated national education, subsidized if need be, as an absolute necessity, and this would pave the way for an intelligent representation and a new race of statesmen whose function it would be to study the problems which underlie the great questions of the day.

Hon. Benjamin Butterworth of Ohio, said that under protection the country had enjoyed an unparalleled prosperity. A national bankruptcy law is indispensable. The political morality of the country is a question of great moment and much attention should be given to regeneration in this respect. He felt that he could promise the enactment of a bankrupt law by the present Congress.

Hon. Alexander H. Rice was the last speaker. His remarks were of a general character and bore no special reference to the subjects under discussion.

JEFF DAVIS' STYLE.

William Page Takes $10,000 and Decamps in His Wife's Clothes.

ST. LOUIS, Mo., Dec. 30.—William E. Page, agent of the Adams Express Company at Golden City, received a package of $8,000 yesterday morning for a Golden City bank, and could not resist the temptation to run off with it. He had $2,000 additional money in the safe, and with $10,000 and an outfit of his wife's clothing he made for the woods. Being a little man and having a womanish face, he thought he could make his escape dressed as a woman. He left his own clothes in the woods, and was soon to all outward appearance a female passenger on a train bound for St. Louis. The conductor, it seems, recognized him, having been pretty well acquainted with him, and his suspicions were aroused. Without letting Page know that he recognized him, the conductor telegraphed to St. Louis to Frank Erskine, a railroad detective. Erskine met the train in the suburbs last night, and arrested Page. The latter wilted at once. When taken to the police headquarters, he confessed all, and turned over $6,000 which were hid away in his jersey. The balance he said he had lost in the woods, but the police regard that as a lie. He will be taken back to Golden City.

THE FLOUR MARKET.

How the Mills of Minneapolis, Minn., Add to It.

MINNEAPOLIS, Minn., Dec. 30.—In its review of the flour production and market, the North Western Miller of Jan. 1 will say:

Milling operations seem to continue in the old groove, with no particular change for better or worse. Though last week was cut short nearly two days, the flour production amounted to 77,200 barrels, averaging 12,868 barrels daily, against 96,058 barrels the preceding week, and 95,600 barrels for the corresponding time in 1884. Thirteen to fifteen mills are in motion, and the output ranges from 13,000 to 18,000 baarels daily this week. Save with the very largest firms the mills take turns running the same set, not continuing two weeks at a time. Two mills that were in operation last week are now idle, and another of half their capacity started up today. Thirteen mills are in motion with an aggregate capacity of 17,000 barrels, and another of 500 barrels, is preparing to start tomorrow, and one of 200-barrel capacity will be closed down this evening. Considerable flour is being shipped, much of it going into store at Duluth and Milwaukee. There is a firmer feeling in the flour market, and the millers are confident there will be an improvement in prices soon.

SMALL POX IN THE WEST.

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Resignation on the ground of a "wish to withdraw from politics" is popular in France too.

It will be cheering to the Kennebeckers to know that the prospect of an ice crop on the Hudson is very bad indeed.

If Ireland wants to try a little home rule on the Canadian governmental model England can do no better than to grant the wish. It is the best way out of a great difficulty.

An improvement in the iron trade means more than an improvement in any other industry of this country. The business depression is doomed.

Speaker Carlisle is said to be arranging several surprises. There are several we would like to see, for instance, a change in Congressman Morrison's situation, So would the people.

The Passamaquoddy Indians are progressing. Their crops this year were 20 per cent larger than last; their schools are well attended and the pupils show marked proficiency.

The Bangor Commercial's Washington correspondent says the Maine Senators and representatives will oppose the admission of Dakota unless some provision is made for the payment of the Yankton bonds, a great many of which are held by citizens of this State.

The Fairfield Journal declares that "every Democratic editor in the State, with one exception, are applicants for office, and, like whipped curs, they dare not yip for fear that they will injure their chances." We are glad to see that our Democratic editorial brothers are practically unanimous on something.

If the suggestion of the New York Star, which believes in leaving the choice of postmasters to the people of the respective localities, had been adopted some time ago, a distinguished lawyer of the Kennebec bar would have been saved many trips to Washington and the attendant money and expense.

The New York Sun has no patience with the talk of dividing the offices equally between the Republicans and Democrats. That is not the kind of a division the Democrats want, it says. "They want a fair division of the Federal offices among Democrats and only among Democrats." The Sun is frequently the most truthful Democratic organ in the country.

Mr. McGettrick is the new postmaster at St. Albans, Vt. Like other new postmasters of whom we have recently heard he has a long record of financial irregularities. His home organ comes manfully to his support however, and says that although it cannot deny the charges made against him still his heart beats warmly for his native land. Senator Edmunds's sense of justice will compel him to procure a copy of the paper and carefully consider this defense.

A Washington correspondent of the Louisville Courier-Journal, doubtless Mr. Watterson himself, has much fault to find with Dorman B. Eaton and his civil service commission. He hints that Mr. Eaton is too busy resigning to give matters of business the attention he is paid for giving them. The Democracy will never sleep calmly until that commission, and, in fact, everything of a civil service reform character, is abolished. Such institutions are not in the interest of Democratic harmony and "reform."

Pasteur is apparently getting more patients than he wants, for he has just given out that before a person bitten by a dog is sent him he wants it established that the dog was mad. This has not been done in the case of any of the patients sent him from America. It is by no means certain that the dog that bit the Newark children had hydrophobia. Later developments seem to show that it was sick with some epidemic disease which was not genuine rabies, as several other dogs which manifested similar symptons have recovered.

The Salisbury Cabinet will introduce into the Commons a bill authorizing the imposition of a duty on imports into Great Britain, founded on the report of the trads commission of which Lord Iddsleigh was chairman, which found, first, that English depression is due primarily to foreign competition, and disposes of the previously accepted doctrine of exceptional causes such as temporary overstocking; second, that successful foreign competition results from a fiscal policy prohibitive of imports of English products; third, that the rise of rents and necessaries is proportionelly greater than that of wages, the standard of wages being kept low by the effects on British industries of foreign competition; fourth, that wide distress prevails in the manufacturing districts, resulting in a dearth of employment and inadequate wages for those who are employed. The English cousins are apparently beginning to waver a little in their allegeance to free trade.

Senator Dawes, who probably is more thoroughly informed on the Indian question than any other Senator, in a speech at Cambridge, Tuesday night, pointed out the difficulties in the way of a solution of the question. He showed all our past experiments with the Indians had been disastrous failures, and that the only resource left which gave promise of success was their practical education so as to enable them to take care of themselves. They must be taught just as children are taught, for they are but children. It will require a great deal of prrseverance and patience, and a great deal of money, but not so much as it has cost to try cruel and fruitless experiments. The sum of $230,000,000 has been spent upon 300,000 Indians by the United States government. A tenth part of it will make the Indian a worthy citizen, enjoying the immunities of a citizen of the United States.

A little pamphlet comes to us from the Pacific coast entitled The Silver Question by William M. Stewart. Its title page bears these startling lines: "Bondholders' Conspiracy to Demonetize Silver;" "Unfaithful Treasury Officials;" "Hostility of National Banks;" "Independent Policy for the United States." The very first line of the work indicates its character, and the tone of its arguments. "The silver question," it says, "is a contest between European bondholders and the laborers of the world." The book reads exactly like a speech of our old friend, Jesse Harper, in the Greenback era, except that where that statesman would have put the greenback dollar Mr. Stewart puts the silver dollar. The stoppage of the silver coinage, it says, "would destroy the confidence of the masses in the good faith of their rulers," and the movement to do so "emanates from the bondholding directory in Europe, and its purpose is to enhance the value of all obligations for the payment of money." This is precisely what Mr. Harper and Solon Chase used to tell us was the object of the limitation of the Greenback currency and the movement to return to specie payments. Their predictions before the latter event were just as gloomy as are Mr. Stewart's in this book. Mr. Stewart sharply arraigns the President for sending Mr. Manton Marble abroad, and charges him in so doing "with colluding with the enemy," by which he means, we suppose, the European "bondholding directory." He wants the bondholders paid in silver, and insists that in refusing to devote the silver in the treasury to that purpose, Secretary Manning is guilty of a gross violation of the law. The quality of Mr. Stewart's honesty can be inferred from his assertion that "the most dishonest and insidious proposition that has been suggested is to increase the amount of silver requisite to make a silver dollar." That is, it strikes him as most dishonest and insidious for the government to put a dollar's worth of silver into a dollar. In a supplement to the book, Mr. Stewart vigorously pitches into that part of the President's message relating to silver, and says it has "spread gloom and apprehension on the Pacific coast." The gloom is probably confined very largely to the owners of silver mines.

CURRENT COMMENT.

THE RULE DON'T WCRK BCTH WAYS.
Indianapolis Journal.

Democratic papers are greatly wrought up because Dakota is trying to break into the Union. The Democratic idea is to break out.

TIMELY ADVICE.
N. Y. Tribune.

Hosts of great speeches are now being prepared on the silyer question. The congressman who handles the subject most wisely will be the one who burns up his speech before he delivers it.

THE DEMCCRATIC LEADERS AND THE PRESIDENT.
Brooklyn Union.

As the time for action comes near the danger seems to become less that Democratic leaders in Congress will make open opposition to the President's policy of reform; but it is already apparent that they will seek cover under the Democratic weakness for silver to show their anti-Cleveland ideas in general. It is already become possible to analyze the defense of an unlimited coinage of silver mines, and dislike of civil service reform.

A VERMONT ROSE WITH A THORN.
Rutland Herald

McGettrick of St. Albans also finds that his postoffice rose has a thorne. The pricker is otherwise called the Brattleboro Reformer, which Democratic sheet makes plain editorial remarks about the new officer and prints the Franklin County court record of sundry suits against him to recover money that he had collected as an attorney, in one of which the judgment of the court was that the act of the defendant was wilful and malicious, and that he "ought to be confined in close jail." It is said that this record was taken to President Cleveland, but it somehow proved insufficient.

PASTEUR FORESTALLED.

The Use of Inoculation by Certain Savage Tribes.

[Pall Mall Gazette.]

"While exploring the Kalahari," said Mr. Farini, "where extremely poisonous snakes abound, several cases of the nude natives being bitten by them came under my notice; and, strange to say, the untutored savage, although not knowing anything about similia similibus curantur, cure themselves by inoculating with other virus. There is not a native or a hunter who does not carry either the dried body of a deadly poisonous reptile called N'anboo, the poison sacks of the puff adder, yellow cobra or capella. Their modus operandi is this: As soon as possible after being bitten they make slight incisions close to where the poison fangs entered, into which they sprinkle some of the dried and powdered virus. The first effect is to induce sleepiness, but the swelling soon goes down and in a day or two they are well as ever. Three of my oxen were bitten, and cured by inoculation. One case of the bushman who had cured the oxen I must specially mention. He boasted of not being afraid of being bitten. One day while walking ahead of the wagons I discovered a full-grown capella lying under a bush. I called the bushman and asked him to catch it if he was not afraid of being bitten. He replied he would if I would give him a roll of tobacco. I refused, not wishing to be accessory to his death. While I was waiting for the driver's whip to dispatch the snake, the bushman gave the reptile a kick with his bare foot, and the horrible thing bit him. But the bushman coolly took from a little skin pouch some poison sacks, cut a piece off and reduced it to powder, pricked his foot near the puncture, which had commenced to swell, and rubbed the virus powder in. One of the bushmen, who had killed the snake and extracted the poison cysts, handed one of them to him; he squeezed a drop of poison out of it into some water and drank it; he seemed to fall into a kind of stupor, in which he remained for some hours. At first, the swelling increased rapidly, but began to subside after some hours. Next morning he inoculated himself again; that night the swelling had completely disappeared and the fourth day he seemed as well as ever, and claimed the roll of tobacco." Mr. Farini took the precaution to bring home the poison of several snakes, and a portion of a N'anboo, which he is sending to M. Pasteur to experiment with.

A Howells's Story.

While W. D. Howells was a young man living in Columbus and was on the editorial force of the Ohio State Journal, he wrote a poem which was published in the Atlantic Monthly. In due time there came a check in payment for the poem, which was among the earliest literary productions of Mr. Howells, before he had turned his thoughts towards the field of prose fiction. The check was highly prized in itself by the young poet, but did not fill the full measure of his aspirations, for shortly afterward he demanded of an intimate friend, with much diffidence but great earnestness: "Jim, when you have a check for some money, how do you get the cash for it?" The intricacies of this financial operation being explained, the amount of the check was deposited to his credit in the bank. The money was not destined, however, to form a part of Mr. Howells's ultimate estate, for shortly afterward he again repaired somewhat embarrassed to his more practical friend and asked, in a quandary: "Jim, when you have some money in the bank, how do you get it out again?" Since that time Mr. Howells has had little difficulty in getting money into or out of the bank.

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We shall sell what we have left at greatly reduced prices. Back Draft Stoves for $7, $9, $11, $12, $13, $15 and upwards, and the largest line in Maine, or in fact New England, to select from. A few choice new things are the Art Bossmore, The Bowdoin, The Berkley and the Hillside. These are all choice goods, you could hardly believe that such handsome stoves could be made from iron, brass and nickel.

RANGES. RANGES.

Don't forget the Range you promised your wife before Christmas. Come and see the New Tariff, Quaker, Kirby, Union, Nassau, Our Choice, First National, Groveland, Dot, Inwood, &c. Another carload this week.

TURCOMAN CURTAINS, 25 PATTERNS.

We shall not explain the different styles but will simply say we have about 60 pairs which we will sell at $4.50 a pair, and curtains up to $20 per pair. Poles, Rings, Loop Chains, shades and fixtures at prices that are down.

Chamber Furniture.

ASH, CHERRY, PINE, WALNUT AND MAHOGANY.

Splendid assortment and the lowest prices in Maine.

CARPET AND RUG DEPARTMENT.

All Wool Carpets, 60 cents and upwards. Tapestry Brussels for 67 1-2 cents and upwards. Body Brussels 95 cents and upwards, and Velvets for $1. Smyrna Rugs all sizes, all patterns. A handsome Smyrna Door Mat for $1.

Comforters, Blankets, Pillows and Feather Beds, Hall Stands in Great Variety, Roll Top Desks, Ladies' Desks, Mirrors, both Mantle and Pier, all sizes. Pillar Extension Tables $15 and upwards.

SIDEBOARDS $20.00 to $80.00

Just the handsomest line in this country.

DINING CHAIRS

And all kinds of useful Household Goods suitable for this season of the year, for cash or on our special contract system.

COR. PEARL AND MIDDLE STREETS, PORTLAND.

B. A. ATKINSON & CO.,

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OPEN EVERY EVENING.
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MISCELLANEOUS.

JOB LOT of LADIES' OUTSIDE GARMENTS

TO BE CLOSED OUT AT A GREAT SACRIFICE.

Below we shall quote prices that will be of great interest to customers in want of a good garment for a small amount of money:

10 Newmarkets	former price $7.00	at	$4.50
15 Newmarkets	former price 8.75	at	5.50
15 Newmarkets	former price 9.00	at	6.00
10 Nice Berlin Twill	former price 12.00	at	8.00

We also have several lots too small to advertise that will be sold at about one-half their usual price. We have a few very fine Plush Garments that will be closed at a big discount.

SHORT WRAPS.

We have a few of these goods that we shall close out this week at prices less than the material would be worth to make up.

Any customer intending to buy a garment this season will do well to call and make a selection from some of the lots advertised above as they are special good value.

N. H. STUDLEY,

499 Congress St., cor. Brown.
dec29 dtf

GRANDMOTHER OF ALL

It will well repay anyone to look into the window of

COE, THE HATTER,

and see the mammoth Muffs that used to be carried by our Grandmothers; also notice the fine display of

Ladies' Furs for Christmas Presents !

Beaver Muffs, Beaver Shoulder Capes, Beaver Stoles, Otter, Lynx, Black Hare, Black Cony, Coon, Badger, and everything in the Fur line.

FUR CAPS.

We beat them all on low prices. Gents' Fur Caps $1.00. Imported Scotch Caps 50 cents. Boys' Winter Caps 20 cents. Men's Winter Caps 25 cents. Men's Soft Hats 50 cents. Boys' Wool Hats 40 cents.

ROBES.

Wolf Robes $4.50. Black Robes $9.00. Buffalo Robes $6.00. Coon Robes $12.00.

TRUNKS and BAGS.

We sell a Good Trunk for $1.00. We sell a Zinc Trunk for $2.00. We are Agents for the Patent Wood Trunks.

A NEW LOT OF TRAVELING BAGS VERY LOW

Horse Blankets from 70 cents up.

COE,

The Hatter, - - 197 Middle St.
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PIANOS

The largest assortment of the standard Pianos of the world,

Grand, Upright and Square.

Chickering, BOSTON. DECKER BROTHERS'

KNABE KRANICH & BACH,

BAUS EMERSON,

THE BURDETT, Wilcox & White,

and other Organs, new styles.

PIANO CHAIRS, OTTOMANS AND STOOLS

with adjustable seats.

PIANO SPREADS.

SAMUEL THURSTON,

NO. 3 FREE STREET BLOCK, PORTLAND,
dec23 d2w

GIFTS!

FURS.

You can buy Beaver, Coon, Nutria and the cheaper grades of sets of me at a lower price than you can elsewhere.

SILK UMBRELLAS.

With Gold Heads $7.50. With Silver Heads $4.50. Natural Sticks $2.50.

GLOVES.

No assortment like ours to be found in the city!; including Beaver, Lined and Unlined Buck, Kid, Castor, Dog Skin, and a full line of Dent's Imported Dress Gloves. We are the only agents for the above Dent's Glove.

Seal Caps for $10.00. Sold by the other dealers for $13.00.

BAGS---One of the most appropriate articles for a Christmas Gift.

A SCOTCH CAP 50 CTS. A BOY'S WINTER CAP 25 CTS.

Robert F. Somers & Co.

232 MIDDLE STREET.

Thomas J. Somers can be found with us.
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American Watches !

McKENNEY, THE JEWELLER,

Has the largest and best selected stock of Watches in Solid Gold, Ladd, Boss, and Crown Filled and Silver Cases, ever shown in this City. I will sell you Watches lower than any other dealer in first-class goods. A beautiful line of Ladies' Watches in Solid Gold Cases from $20.00 to $75.00. Over 200 Watches to select from. Come where you can see the largest stock, as I can surely suit you. Watches sold on installments.

McKENNEY, the Jeweller,

547 CONGRESS ST., SIGN OF SIDEWALK CLOCK.
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FINANCIAL.

SWAN & BARRETT,

Bankers and Brokers

186 MIDDLE STREET.

Dealers in Bonds and Stocks.
INVESTMENT SECURITIES
for Savings Banks and Trust Funds constantly on hand.
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—NEGOTIATED BY—

The Minnesota Loan and Trust Co.

Bearing Seven Per Cent Interest.
— FOR SALE BY —

WILLIAM H. EMERY,
188 Middle Street, Portland.

Below are the names of a few Savings Banks in New England who hold a large amount of these securities:

Rhode Island Hospital Trust Co., Providence, R. I. Mechanics' Savings Bank, Providence R. I. People's Savings Bank, Providence, R. I. New Hampshire Savings Bank, Concord, N. H. Keene Savings Bank, Keene, N. H. Nashua Savings Bank, Nashua, N. H. Littleton Savings Bank, Littleton, N. H. Littleton National Bank, Littleton, N. H.
dec8 d1m*

BONDS!

Rockland	6s & 4s	Bath	6s & 4s
No. Pacific Gold	6s	Maine Central	7s & 5s
Anson	4s	P. & O. R. R.	6s

ARETAS SHURTLEFF,
No. 194 MIDDLE STREET, Portland.
January 1, 1884. tan1dtf

7 PER CENT FIRST MORTGAGES

on improved farms. Investment payable half yearly. For further information address

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References: The National Banks of Chicago.
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Bankers and Brokers,

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Investment Securities for Sale.

AGENTS FOR GREEN & BATEMAN
NEW YORK,

For transactions on New York and Chicago Exchanges. Connected by private wire. Quotations constantly displayed.
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J. B. BROWN & SONS,

BANKERS,

No. 218 Middle Street.

Sterling and Continental Exchange bought and sold at most favorable rates.

Travelling and Commercial Letters of Credit Issued, available in all the Principal Cities of Europe.

Investment Securities Bought and Sold.
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ANNUAL MEETINGS.

Annual Meeting of Stroudwater Hall Company.

A MEETING of the Stockholders of the Stroudwater Hall Company will be held at their Hall on Saturday, January 2, 1886, at 7.30 p. m., to choose officers for ensuing year, and to transact any other business that may properly come before them. WALTER FICKETT, Clerk.
Stroudwater, Dec. 28, 1885. dec29d3t*

Diamond Island Association.

THE Annual Meeting of the Stockholders of the Diamond Island Association will be held at City Building, Portland, on Wednesday, January 6th, A. D. 1886, at 7½ o'clock P. M., for the purpose of hearing annual reports, electing officers for the ensuing year, and transacting such other business as may legally come before the Association. P. J. LARRABEE, Secretary.
Dec. 21, 1885. dec23d2w

OCEAN INSURANCE COMPANY.

THE annual meetiug of the stockholders of the Ocean Insurance Company for the choice of directors and the transaction of such other business as may legally come before them, will be held at the office of the Company on Wednesday, the sixth day of January, 1886, at 3 o'clock p. m.
CHAS. F. FLAGG, Secretary.
Portland, Dec. 16, 1885. dec16d3w

CUMBERLAND NATIONAL BANK

THE annual meeting of the Stockholders of the Cumberland National Bank of Portland will be held at their banking rooms on TUESDAY, the twelfth day of January, 1886, at 10 o'clock a. m., for the choice of Directors and the transaction of any other business that may legally come before them. WILLIAM H. SOULE, Cashier.
Portland, Dec. 12, 1885. dec12dtd

MERCHANTS NATIONAL BANK.

THE annual meeting of the stockholders of the Merchants National Bank of Portland will be held at the Bank on Tuesday, Jan. 12, 1886 at 10 o'clock a. m., for the choice of directors and transaction of any other business that may legally be presented. CHAS. PAYSON, Cashier.
Dec. 11, 1885. dtd

CANAL NATIONAL BANK.

THE annual meeting of the stockholders of the Canal National Bank of Portland for the election of seven directors, and for the transaction of any other business that may legally come before them, will be held at their banking house on Tuesday the twelfth day of January, 1886, at 11 o'clock a. m. B. C. SOMERBY, Cashier.
Dec. 11, 1885. dec11dtd

NATIONAL TRADERS BANK.

THE shareholders of the National Traders Bank of Portland, are hereby notified that their annual meeting will be held at their banking room, on Tuesday the twelfth day of Jannary next, at 11 o'clock a. m., to choose five Directors for the ensuing year, and to act on any other business that may legally come before them. EDWARD GOULD, Cashier.
Dec. 11, 1885. dec11d1m

THE CASCO NATIONAL BANK, OF PORTLAND.

THE annual meeting of the Stockholders of the Casco National Bank of Portland will be held at its banking house on Tuesday, January 12, 1886, (being the second Tuesday of said month), at 10 o'clock a. m. The election of seven Directors for the ensuing year, and the transaction of any other business that may legally come before it, will be the business of the meeting.
WILLIAM T. SMALL, Cashier.
Portland, Dec. 11, 1885. dec11dtd

Eagle Sugar Refinery.

THE stockholders of the Eagle Sugar Refinery are hereby notified that the annual meeting for choice of directors and for action upon any other business that may come before them, will be held at the Refinery office, Fore street, Portland, on Tuesday the 12th day of January, 1886, at 3 o'clock p. m. JOS. P. THOMPSON, Clerk.
Dec. 29, 1885. dec30dtd

Lloyd's Register of British and Foreign Shipping.

ENGINEER SURVEYORSHIP AT PORTLAND, MAINE.

THE Committee of Lloyd's Register of British and Foreign Shipping being desirous to appoint a Surveyor at the port of Portland, Maine, for the purpose of holding surveys on the Engines and Boilers of Steam Vessels,

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that applications from persons wishing to become candidates, accompanied by testimonials as to the applicants' personal character and professional fitness for the office, will be considered, if received by the Secretary on or before the 27th February, 1886.

It is necessary that every candidate should make his application in his own handwriting, in the English language.

The Surveyor will not be required to be exclusively the servant of the Society.

Forms to be filled up by candidates, with particulars as to remuneration, &c., can be obtained on application to E. P. SHERWOOD, Esq., Lloyd's Agent, Portland, Me.

By order of the Committee,
B. WAYMOUTH, Secretary.
2, *White Lion Court, Cornhill, London, E. C. 7th December*, 1885. dec29d2w

Lloyd's Register of British and Foreign Shipping.

SURVEYORSHIP AT PORTLAND MAINE.

THE Committee of Lloyd's Register of British and Foreign Shipping being desirous to appoint a Surveyor at the port of Portland, Maine, having a good knowledge of the construction of Wood and Iron Ships.

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STORAGE.

First-class storage for Flour, Fish, Cotton and other merchandise in the Portland Sugar House. Warehouse receipts given. Otis Brothers elevator. Lowest rates of Insurance. Apply to J. S. DOUGLASS, Agent,
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THIS PAPER may be found on file at Geo. P. Rowell & Co's Newspaper Advertising Bureau (10 Spruce Street), where advertising contracts may be made for it IN NEW YORK.

AMUSEMENTS.

CHARITY BALL.

A limited number of gallery tickets will be sold for the Charity Ball, at City Hall, Friday Evening, January 1st, at 50 cents each. For sale by members of the committee and at Loring, Short & Harmon's.

Holders of gallery tickets will enter from Congress street main entrance.

Entrance to ball room from Myrtle street.

Ladies wearing bonnets or street wraps will not be admitted to the ball room.
dec31d2t COMMITTEE.

WALTZING AND "THE YORKE,"

Wednesday Evening.

Matinee New Year's Afternoon from 3 to 6 O'clock.

Respectfully,
dec29dtf M. B. GILBERT.

PORTLAND THEATRE.

Friday and Saturday, Jan. 1 and 2. Matinee Friday at 2.30.

Denman Thompson,

as UNCLE JOSH in

JOSHUA WHITCOMB.

Evening prices $1.00, 75 and 50 cents; gallery 35 cents. Matinee prices 75, 50 and 35 cents; children 25 cents. Sale of seats commences Wednesday, Dec. 30. dec28dtd

Bijou Skating Parlor, - Federal Street.

Evening Admission:
Gents..... ....15 cents } Skates..... 10 cents.
Ladies..... ....10 cents }

Afternoon Admission:
Gents..... ....10 cents } Skates.....10 cents.
Ladies..... ....Free }

P. S.—Polo and all Other Exhibitions the admission will be 25 cents; Saturday Afternoon Games 10 cents.
dec10dtf C. H. KNOWLTON, Mana ger.

12th Stockbridge.

City Hall, Wednesday Evening, Jan. 6th.

TABLEAUX D'ART!

A series of beautiful pictures given by

12-YOUNG LADIES-12

from the N. E. School of Oratory.

Attired in **Grecian Drapery,** introducing scenes from **Old Mythological Legends, Biblical Scenes** and some of our famous **Poets.** Instantaneous changes and beautiful colored calcium effects. Assisted by the Harvard

COLLEGE QUARTETTE.

Messrs. Briggs and Howard, Tenors.
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Elmore A. Pierce, Reciter.
W. B. Stewart, Yoedle and Whistling Soloists.
Prof. S. R. Kelley, Director.

Reserved seats 75 cts. Admission 50 cts. Now on sale at Stockbridge's. dec31d1w

CITY HALL,

Thursday Evening, Jan. 7th.

Grand Military Ball

—AND—

COFFEE PARTY

—BY THE—

Portland Montgomery Guards,
ASSISTED BY THE
LADIES' HONORARY CORPS.

Admission 50 Cents.

Tickets for sale at McGowan's, Stockbridge's, Shaw's, F. A. Turner's and W. S. Banks'.
dec31 dtd

COMING

The **Original Nashville Students** (10 singers) City Hall, Tuesday, Jan. 12th.

Tickets Sold Monday, Jan. 4th
at Stockbridge's.

All tickets reserved at 25 and 35 cents.
dec31 dtd

GOOD SEATS

now on sale at Stockbridge's for Boston Symphony Orchestra concert, Jan. 13th, assisted by Miss Radecke and Miss O'Brien, on two grand pianos; **also tickets** ready for **Gough.** Recital by **Fritz Geise, "Rose of Castile"** and the opera of **"Martha."** Martha tickets 50 and 75 cents.
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BUSINESS CARDS.

LAW NOTICE.

CHARLES W. CODDARD
has removed his law office to
Davis' New Block, Corner of Congress and Exchange Streets.
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McKUSICK & ELLIOTT,

HORSE SHOERS,

— HAVE REMOVED TO —

NO. 28 UNION STREET.

First door above Fore St. Thankful for past patronage we desire a continuance of the same at our new quarters. dec19dtf

HAWKES BROTHERS,
— DEALERS IN —
Granite for Building, Cemetery, and Monumental Purposes,
Office and Works foot of Wilmot St., PORTLAND, ME.
GEO. E. HAWKES, MELVIN J. HAWKES.
Special Attention given to Cemetery Work.
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Herbert G. Briggs,
ATTORNEY AT LAW AND SOLICITOR
—OF—
AMERICAN AND FOREIGN PATENTS,
No. 93 Exchange Street, Portland, Me.
All business relating to Patents promptly and faithfully executed. jul2dtf

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MANUFACTURING CLOTHIERS

—AND—

Men's Furnishers at Wholesale and Retail.

FINE TAILORING A SPECIALTY

HASKELL & JONES,
LANCASTER BUILDING, - 470 CONGRESS ST
OPPOSITE PREBLE HOUSE.
nov6 d6m

MORSE & PINKHAM,

Fire and Marine Insurance.

ANNUAL STATEMENT JAN. 1st, 1885,

— OF THE —

Union Ins. Co.,

OF PHILADELPHIA, PA.

INCORPORATED IN 1804.

Capital paid up in cash	$375,000.00
Total Assets at actual value	866,429.80

LIABILITIES.

Losses in process of adjustment	$ 74,148.38
Re-Insurance reserve	273,679.99
All other demands against Co	138,930.49
Surplus to policy holders	379,670.94
	$866,429.80

Morse & Pinkham,

AGENTS,
9 Exchange Street.
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THE PRESS.

THURSDAY MORNING, DEC. 31.

WIT AND WISDOM.

A popular air with the ladies—"Sweet Buy and Buy."

Backache is almost immediately relieved by wearing one of Carter's Smart Weed and Belladonna Backache Plasters. Try one and be free from pain. Price 25 cts.

Of all ants the serv-ant is supposed to work the hardest.

"I am selling your rheumatism and neuralgia cure—Athlophoros, and it is doing lots or good. The sales are increasing." Druggist George F. Smith writes in an encouraging strain from Searsport, Maine, concerning Athlophoros' good work in Maine.

You put a funny uniform on a man, and let 2000 people pay 50 cents each to watch him, and he will saw wood as hard as he will play base ball.

BEWARE of FRAUDS.—Be sure you get the genuine Dr. Thomas' Electric Oil. It cures Colds, Croup, Asthma, Deafness and Rheumatism.

Why is a cat like a woman? Because there is such a delightfully tantalizing uncertainty whether she is going to keep right on purring or turn around and scratch your eyes out the next moment.

More cases of sick headache, biliousness, constipation, &c., can be cured in less time, with less medicine, and for less money, by using Carter's Little Liver Pills, than by any other means.

"You know that sweet little sculptress who has a studio on F street?" said young Prettyboy. "I met her at a party last night, and she completely turned my head."

"So?" said the judge, thoughtfully; "I knew she modelled in clay, but I didn't suppose she worked in wood at all."

Persons troubled with indigestion should use Colgan's Taffy Tolu.

"Yes, I think I shall retire. I have been thirty-five years on the bench."

"You must have been able to save considerable money after so long and honorable a career."

"Well, no. You see there isn't as much money in shoemaking as there used to be."

Scott's Emulsion of Pure Cod Liver Oil with Hypophosphites *in Acute Pulmonary Troubles.* Dr. F. B. STRICKLAND, New York, says: "I find your Emulsion very beneficial after all acute pulmonary attacks in adults, and in children.

"Tell me, Thomas, how many voyages around the world did Capt. Cook make?"

"Three."

"And on which one of these voyages was he killed?"

Slade's Epicurean Spices are double the strength of other brands, they are the best selected spices, powdered perfectly pure.

FINANCIAL AND COMMERCIAL.

REVIEW OF PORTLAND WHOLESALE MARKET.

FOR THE WEEK ENDING, December 30.

The volume of trade has been of small proportions the past week, with a quiet tone in all the leading departments. The official returns of the foreign trade of the United States for November show a decrease in merchandise exports both as compared with the preceding month and corresponding month last year. The imports were less than in October but more than for November last year. The valuations are given as follows:—Imports for November $50,574,710 against $45,211,410 for the corresponding month last year. Exports $67,331,839 against $78,804,670 for November last year. For the eleven months of the year, imports foot up a valuation of $535,630,032, a decrease of $51,460,835 as compared with the same time in 1884, and exports foot up $614,362,889, a decrease of $44,659,384. The excess of exports over imports is $78,700,000.

In the merchandise markets very little change will be noticed in quotations. In Flour there are no new features to note, the trade continues of a limited character and there is no sign of improvement, but prices are pretty steady and unchanged. Corn eased off a trifle during the week. Sugar is firm and higher. Raisins have advanced somewhat with a better demand and the market is firm. Apples continue quiet at about previous figures, but at Liverpool the market was weak and lower to-day at 11@13s; shipments to Europe from Portland for the week ending December 26, were 3301 bbls, and for the season 18,795 bbls; shipments from Boston for the week, 9440 bbls, and for the season 154,825 bbls; from New York for the week 6530 bbls and for the season 269,276 bbls; shipments for the season to Europe from Boston, New York, Montreal, Portland and Halifax, 525,069 bbls; for same time last year 516,964 bbls. Potatoes rather easier in tone and the indications are that lower prices will prevail on account of shipments from Europe to this country; one cargo is on the way and consigned to New York parties. Eggs have been very steady. A strong tone continues to prevail in Iron and next week rates will be advanced here. Reports from Philadelphia and Pittsburg indicate an improved demand and there is every prospect of higher prices in 1886.

Railroad Receipts.

PORTLAND, Dec. 30, 1885.

Received by Maine Central Railroad—For Portland 32 cars miscellaneous merchandise; for connecting roads 84 cars miscellaneous merchandise.

Imports.

LIVERPOOL Steamship Polynesian—500 bxs tin plates to A E Stevens & Co.

Foreign Exports.

MAYAGUEZ, PR. Brig L Staples—4628 shooks and heads 560 bdls hoops.

Boston Stock Market.

[By Telegraph.]

The following quotations of stocks are received daily:

Maine Central R. 6s, 1895	107½
Augusta, Maine, City 6s, 1887	101⅞
Portland, Saco & Portsmouth R	123½
Lewiston Manuf. Co	500
Pepperell Manufacturing Co	1120
Eastern Railroad	69
Atch., Topeka and Santa Fe Railroad	36⅝
Mexican Central 7s	46⅛
Flint & Pere Marquette Railroad pref	
do com	17
New York and New England Railroad	38⅝
Boston & Maine Railroad	181
Boston & Lowell Railroad	121½
Belle Telephone	172½
Boston & Albany Railroad	180
Eastern Railroad 6s	121½

New York Stock and Money Market.

[By Telegraph.]

NEW YORK, Dec. 30 1885.—Money on call continues easy at 2½@3 per cent. Prime mercantile paper 4@5 per cent. Sterling Exchange continues dull and quotations unchanged. Government bonds active and firm. State bonds active and firm. Railroad bonds active and strong. The stock market has been quiet since 2 15 p m and fluctuations within very narrow range, but the market closed strong and generally higher by fractions than last evening.

The transactions at the Stock Exchange aggregated 371,452 shares.

The following are to-day's quotations of Government securities:

United States bonds, 3s	103⅞
New 4½s, reg	112⅝
New 4½s, coup	112⅝
New 4s, reg	122
New 4s, coup	124⅛
Pacific 6s of '95	125¼

The following are to-day's closing bids of stocks:

Chicago & Alton	140
Chicago & Alton preferred	
Chicago, Burlington & Quincy	137¼
Erie	26
Erie preferred	53¾
Illinois Central	139¼
Lake Shore	88⅞
Michigan Central	76¾
New Jersey Central	42½
Northwestern	110⅛
Northwestern preferred	136
New York Central	109½
Rock Island	128½
St. Paul	95¾
St. Paul preferred	124¾
Union Pacific	55¾
Western Union Telegraph	73
Alton & Terre Haute	39½
do pref	84
Boston Alb Line	95
Burlington & Cedar Rapids	75
Central Pacific	43⅞
Canada Southern	42½
Del., Lack. & West	126
Del. & Hud. Canal	97⅛
Den & Rio Grande	21
E. Tenn., V. & Ga	6⅛
do pref	
Missouri Pacific	109¾
Houston & Texas	33
Kansas & Texas	32¼
Morris & Essex	130
Mobile & Ohio	14½
Northern Pacific	28¾
do pref	62
Oregon Nav	106¾
Richmond & Danville	77
Adams Express	145
American Express	102
U. S. Express	61½
Wells, Fargo Express	122
Louisville & Nash	45⅛
St Paul & Omaha	39⅜
do pref	104¾
Union Pacific 1st	117
Kansas & Arkansas	105¼
do Sinking Funds	116
St Louis & San Fran	21¾
do pref	46
1st pref	98
Lake Erie & West	17¾
Manhattan Elevated	120½
Metropolitan El	150
Erie 2ds	91⅞
Union Pacific stock	55¾
Long Island	79¾
Central Pacific 1sts	115
Denver & R. Gr. 1sts	115¼
Kansas 1sts, Den div	111
Oregon Nav. 1sts	113¾
Lehigh & Wilkesbarre	104

New York Mining Stocks.

[By Telegraph.]

NEW YORK, Dec. 30, 1885.—The following are closing quotations for mining stocks to-day:

Colorado Coal	24 75
Quicksilver	7 00
do preferred	25 00
Homestake	22 00
Ontario	29 00
Con. Cal. & Va	1 35
Horn Silver	3 00
Silver King	7 00
Hale & Norcross	3 10
Deadwood	2 25

California Mining Stocks.

(By Telegraph.)

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 30, 1885.—The following are the closing official quotations of mining stocks to-day:

Hale & Norcross	2⅛
Con. Cal & Va	1⅝
Bodie Con	2⅛
Eureka Consolidated	1⅝
Best & Belcher	1

The Crown Point Mining Company has levied an assessment of [illegible] per share.

Boston Produce Market.

BOSTON, Dec. 30, 1885.—The following are to-day's quotations of Provisions, &c.:

Pork—Long cut 12 00@12 50; short cuts 12 50@12 75; backs 12 50@13 00; light backs 12 00@12 50; leans 12 25@12 50; pork tongues $13@$13 25; pig meess $12@12 50; extra prime 9 50@$10; mess 9 00@9 50; Western prime mess pork at 10 50@$11.

Lard 6½@6¾c ₱ lb in tierces; 7¼@7½c in 10-lb pails; 7½@7¾c in 5-lb pails; 7¾@8c in 3-lb pails.

Hams 9½@10½c ₱ lb, according to size and cure; small 10@10½c.

Dressed hogs 5@5¼c ₱ lb; country at 4¾c; live 4¼@4½c.

Butter—North creamery, good to choice, 27@29; common to [illegible] 20@25c; New York late made dairy 21@22c; [illegible] 20 to 22@23c; selections at 24c; common to good at 15@20c; extra Western fresh made creamery 33@35c; common to good 24@30c; Western [illegible] packed, fresh, 17@20c. Jobbing prices ra[illegible] 1@2c higher than these quotations.

Cheese—Choice [illegible]th at —@9½c; lower grades according to quali[illegible] Western at 9¼@9½c. Job lots ½c higher.

Eggs—Nea[illegible] by 15[illegible]c; Eastern extras —@28; fancy higher; Eastern at 26c: New York and Vermont 25@26c; [illegible]h 25@26c; Western fresh at 23@24c; Island [illegible] 25@26c, and N. S. at 25@26c; held stock 20@22c; Western pickled 19c; Eastern limed at 20c.

Beans—Choice sma[illegible] and picked pea at 1 70@1 75 ₱ bush; choice [illegible] York large hand picked do 1 60@1 70; small [illegible]mont hand picked pea at 1 60@1 70.

Apples—Choice, 1 75@[illegible]00; some fancy varieties higher; common $1@[illegible].

Hay—Choice prime [illegible]; at $19@$20; fair to good at $18@$19; choi[illegible] Eastern [illegible]line $16@$18; fair to good do at $15@[illegible]; poor do at $13@$14; East swale $11@$12. [illegible] straw, choice, $20@$21; oat straw $11@$12 [illegible]on.

Potatoes—Houlton ros[illegible]@—c; do Hebron at 68@70c; N H Rose 63@[illegible]c; Me Central 60@65c; Burbank seedlings 60c; [illegible] Hebrons at 48@50c; do Rose 53@55c; do prol[illegible]50@55c; Eastern do at 65c; Vt Hebrons 60@6[illegible].

Chicago Cattle Market.

By Telegraph.

CHICAGO, Dec. 30, 1885.—Cattle—Receipts 3,200; shipments 2500; 15 higher; shipping steers at 3 50@5 75; stockers and feeders active at 2 40@4 10; cows, bulls and mixed 50@3 30.

Hogs—Receipts 24,500; shipments 4000; about steady; rough and mixed at 3@3 70; packing and shipping at 3 70@4 00; light 3 35@3 90; skips 2 50@3 04.

Sheep—Receipts 2,000; shipments 1000; strong; natives at 2 60@4 35; Western at 3 40@4 60; Texans 2 00@3 00. Lambs ₱ head 00@4 25.

Domestic Markets.

[By Telegraph.]

NEW YORK, Dec. 30, 1885.—Flour market—Receipts 15,027 bbls; exports 32 bbls and 5408 sacks; dull and heavy but price without decided change; sales 13,400 bbls.

Flour quotations—No 2 at 2 25@2 50; superfine Western and State at 3 00@3 45; common to good extra Western and State at 3 30@3 65; good to choice do at 3 80@5 50; common choice White wheat Western extra at 5 00@5 25; fancy do at 5 30@5 50; common to good extra Ohio at 3 30@5 50; common to choice extra St Louis at 3 30@5 50; patent Minnesota extra good to prime at 5 00@5 40; choice to double extra at 5 50@5 65, including 1900 bbls city mill extra at 4 75@4 80; 1100 bbls fine do at 2 25@3 20; 200 bbls superfine 3 00@3 45; 900 bbls extra N at 3 30@3 75; 3000 bbls winter wheat extra at 3 30@5 60; 4200 bbls Minnesota extra at 3 30@5 65. Southern flour steady; common to fair 3@3 90; good to choice at 4 00@5 50. Rye Flour steady at 3 25@3 60. **Wheat**—Receipts 1100 bush; exports 42,010 bush; shade better but quiet and speculation quite moderate; sales 48,000 on spot; No 2 Spring 93c; No 3 nominal at 88c; No 2 nominal at 92½c; No 1 Red Nominal at 97c; N White at 95c. **Rye** is nominal. **Barley** steady. **Corn** advanced 1@2½c, closing steady; export and more moderate; speculation fairly active; receipts 96,000 bush; exports 322,613 bush; sales 345,000 bush spot; No 3 at 43½@44½c; No 2 49¾@50c elev. **Oats** are ¼@½c higher and quiet; receipts 27,550 bush; exports — bushels; 90,000 bush on spot; No 3 at 34c do White 34@38½c; No 2 at 34½@34¾c; do White 38@39½c; Mixed Western 35@36c; White do 37@43½c; White State at 37½@38½c. **Coffee** nil. **Sugar** dull; refined quiet; C at 5¼@5½c; extra C at 5½@5¾c; White Extra C at 5⅝c; Yellow at 5@5⅛c; Mould A at 6⅞@6 15-16c; Off A 6@6⅛c; Standard A at 6⅛c; Granulated 6 13-16c; Confectioners at A 6 11-16@6¾c; cut loaf and Crushed 7¼@7⅝c; Powdered 6⅞@7⅜c; Cubes 7c. **Petroleum**—united 87⅜c. **Tallow** steady. **Pork** dull; mess quoted at 9 75@10 25. **Beef** dull. **Lard** shade higher, firm and quiet; West steam spot 6 37½; refined at 6 65 for Continent 7 00 for S. A. **Butter** barely steady; Western @36c; State at 18@34c; Elgin creamery at 38. **Cheese** firm; State at 7@10¼c; Western flat 7@9½c.

Freights weaker; Wheat steam 2¾d.

CHICAGO, Dec. 30, 1885.—Flour quiet; Winter Wheat 4 40@5 80 for Southern; Wisconsin 4 00@4 65; Michigan at 4 50@4 75; soft Spring Wheat 3 50@4 00; Minnesota bakers 3 50@4 50; patents 4 75@5 50; low grades 2 00@3 00; Rye Flour at 3 30@3 60. Wheat higher, December 84@84½c; No 2 Spring at 84¼@84⅜c; No 3 at 67@71c. Corn higher at 36⅝c. Oats firmer at 27⅝@27¾. Rye is dull; No 2 at 58½c. Barley dull; No 2 at 62@62½c. Pork firmer at 9 37½@9 87½. Lard firm at 5 91½@6 00. Boxed meats steady; shoulders at 3 70@3 75; short ribs at 4 85@4 90; short clear at 5 10@5 15.

Receipts—Flour, 8,000 bbls; wheat, 58,000 bush; corn, 374,000 bush; oats, 9,000 bush; rye, 7,000 bush; barley, 35,000 bush.

Shipments—Flour, 11,000 bbls; wheat, 17,000 bush; corn, 70,000 bush; oats, 8,000 bush; rye, 0,000 bush; barley, 22,000 bush.

ST. LOUIS, Dec. 30, 1885.—Flour dull. Wheat is higher; No 2 Red at 92c. Corn higher; No 2 Mixed at 33½c. Oats firmer; No 2 Mixed 27¾@27⅞c. Lard is easy at 5 75@5 80.

Receipts—Flour, 1000 bbls; wheat, 13,000 bu; corn, 62,000 bush; oats, 2,000 bush; rye, 1,000 bush barley, 18,000 bush.

Shipments—Flour, 7,000 bbls; wheat 1,000 bush, corn, 124,000 bush; oats 8,000 bush; rye, 1,000 bu; barley, 0000 bush.

DETROIT, Dec. 30, 1885.—Wheat is dull; No 1 White 90c; No 2 Red 90¼c.

Receipts, 53,000 bush.

NEW ORLEANS, Dec. 30, 1885.—Cotton steadier; middling 8⅝c

MOBILE, Dec. 30, 1885.—Cotton steady; middling 8 9-16c.

SAVANNAH, Dec. 30, 1885.—Cotton is steady; middling 8 9-16c.

CHARLESTON, Dec. 30, 1885.—Cotton in fair demand; middling 8⅝c.

MEMPHIS, Dec. 30, 1885.—Cotton is steady; middling 8 9-16c.

European Markets.

By Telegraph.]

LONDON, Dec. 30, 1885.—Consols 99 7-16.

LONDON, Dec. 30, 1885.—U. S. 4s, 125½; 4½s 114⅞.

LIVERPOOL, Dec. 30, 1885.—Cotton market is firm; uplands 4 15-16d; Orleans 5⅛d; sales 10,000 bales speculation and export 1000 bales.

LONDON, Dec. 30, 1885.—[Beerbohm's report to Chamber of Commerece.] Cargoes off the coast, wheat steadier. Cargoes on the passage and for shipment, wheat, steadier. At Liverpool, spot wheat and corn dull.

LIVERPOOL, December 30, 1885.—Winter Wheat at 7s@7s 2d; spring wheat at 7s@7s 2d; California average 6s 9d@6s 11d; club 7s@7s 2d; corn, mixed Western, 4s 7½d; peas 5s 5d. Provisions, &c.—Pork steady at 49s for Eastern mess; bacon at 29s 6d for short clear and 28s 6d for long clear; cheese at 48s for American; lard, prime Western at 31s 6d; tallow at 26s 6d for American.

Portland Wholesale Prices Current

Corrected for the PRESS to December 31, 1885.

Duck.		**Rice.**	
No 1	27	Rice, ₱ lb	6@7¾
No 3	24	Rangoon	5½@6
No 10	17	**Saleratus.**	
8 oz	14	Saleratus	5@5½
10 oz	18	**Spices.**	
Gunpowder—Shot.		Cassia, pure	13@15
Blasting	3 50@4 00	Cloves	18@20
Sporting	6 25@6 50	Ginger	13@15
Drop shot	6 6	Mace	75@90
Buck	7	Nutmegs	55@65
Hay.		Pepper	20@22
Pressed	$14@$15	**Starch.**	
Straw	9 00@$11	Laundry	5@8
Iron.		**Teas.**	
Common	1⅞@2	Souchong	15@45
Refined	2@2¼	Oolong	25@30
Norway	4@4½	do choice	35@50
Cast steel	12@14	Japan	25@30
German steel	5@7	do choice	35@60
Shoe steel	2½	**Tobacco.**	
Sheet iron—		Best brands	50@60
Common	3¼@4¼	Medium	40@45
H.C.	4½@5	Common	30@40
Russia	13½@14	Half ₱	
Gany	7@8½	Nat'ul leaf	60@ 0[illegible]
Flour.		**Grain.**	
Superfine and low grades	3 25@3 50	High Mixed Corn	58@59
X Spring and XX Spring	5 00@5 25	Corn, car lots	56@52
Patent Spring	5 50@6 00	Corn, bag lots	55@56
Wheats	4 00@6 25	Meal, bag lots	55@56
Rhein. straight roller	5 25@5 50	Oats, car lots	41@42
clear do	5 00@5 25	Oats, bag lots	42@43
stone ground	4 75@5 00	Cotton Seed,	
St Louis st'gt roller	5 50@5 75	car lots	24 00@25 00
clear do	5 25@5 50	do bag	25 00@26 00
Winter Wheat Patents	5 75@6 00	Sacks (Ellis)	
Fish.		car lots	18 00@19 00
Cod, ₱ qtl—		do bag	19 00@20 00
Large Shore	3 25@3 50	Middlings,	19 50@23 00
Large Bank	3 25@3 50	do bag lots	20 00@24 00
Small	2 75@3 00	**Provisions.**	
Pollock	2 50@3 25	Pork—	
Haddock	1 50@2 00	Backs	13 00@13 50
Hake	1 75@2 25	Clear	12 50@12 75
Herring—		Mess	10 50@11 00
Scaled ₱ bx	14@18c	Mess Beef	9 50@10 00
No 1	12@15c	Ex Mess	10 00@10 50
Mackerel ₱ bbl—		Plate	11 00@11 50
Shore 1s	19 00@21 00	Ex Plate	11 50@12 00
Shore 2s	7 00@8 00	Lard—	
Med. 3s	5 00@6 00	Tubs ₱ ₱	6¾@7c
Small	2 75@3 50	Tierces	6¾@7c
Produce.		Pails	7@7¾c
Cranberries—		Hams ₱ lb	9½@10c
Maine	4 50@5 50	do covered	10½@11½
Cape Cod	6 50@7 00	**Oil.**	
Pea Beans	1 85@2 00	Kerosene—	
Medium	1 75@1 85	Port. Ref. Pet	7¼
German md	1 40@1 50	Water White	10¼
Yellow Eyes	1 65@1 75	Pratt's Ast'l ₱ bbl	13
Irish Potatoes	50@60	Devoe's Brilliant	13
St Potatoes	3 25@3 50	Ligonia	10¾
Onions	3 25@3 50	Silver White	10
Cabbages	$10@$12	Centennial	10¾
Turkeys	13@15	**Raisins.**	
Chickens	7@10	Muscatel	2 50@3 50
Fowls	7@10	London Lay'r	3 15@3 37
Ducks	@15	Ondura Lay.	12@12½
Geese	@12	Valencia	7@10½
Apples.		**Sugar.**	
Nodheads	2 00@2 50	granulated ₱ lb	7¼
Snow	2 00@2 25	Extra C	6¾
Tallman Swts	2 00@2 25	**Seeds.**	
No1 Baldwins and Greenings	1 25@2 00	Red Top	2 25@2 37
Evaporated ₱ lb	8@11c	Timothy Seed	2 00@2 10
Lemons.		Clover	10½@11c
Florida	4 50@5 00	**Cheese.**	
Messina	4 00@4 50	Vermont	10@11½
Malagers	3 00@3 50	N.Y. factory	10@11½
Oranges.		**Butter.**	
Florida	3 25@3 75	Creamery ₱ lb	24@25
		Gilt Edge Ver	21@23
		Choice	18@20
		Good	15@16
		Store	10@12
		Eggs.	
		Eastern extras	27
		Canada & Western	26
		Island	26
		Limed	19@22

Portland Daily Press Stock List.

Corrected by SWAN & BARRETT, Bankers and Brokers, 186 Middle street.

STOCKS.

Descriptions.	Par Value.	Bid.	Asked.
Canal National Bank	100	166	168*
Casco Nat. Bank	100	154	156*
Cumberland National Bank	40	48	50*
First National Bank	100	144	146*
Merchants' National Bank	75	117	118*
National Traders' Bank	100	139	141*
Ocean Insurance Co	100	85	90
Portland Company		90	100
Portland Gas Company	50	55	60

*Ex January dividend.

BONDS.

State of Maine 6s, due 1889	110	111
Portland City 6s, Municip'l various	100	115
Portland City 6s, R. R. aid 1907	122	124
Bath City 6s, Mun. various	102	107
Bath City 6s R. R. aid various	100	102
Bangor City 6s, long R. R. aid	113	116
Bangor City 6s, long Mun	120	123
Belfast City 6s, R. R. aid	103	105
And. & Ken. R. R. 6s, various	105	107
Portland & Ken. R. R. 6s, 1895	110	111
Leeds & Farming'tn R. R. 6s	109	111
Maine Central R. R. 1st mtg 7s	120	122
Maine Central R. R. Consol 7s	125	127
Maine Central R. R. Skg Fund 6s	106	108
Portland Water Co. 1st mtg 6s	103	104
" " 2d mtg 6s	106	108
" " 3d mtg 6s	108	110

SAILING DAYS OF STEAMSHIPS.

	FROM	FOR
Germanic	New York	Liverpool Dec 31
Moravia	New York	Hamburg Dec 31
Parisian	Portland	Liverpool Dec 31
Toronto	Portland	Liverpool Dec 31
Haytien Republic	Boston	Cape Hayti Dec 31
Newport	New York	Havana Jan 2
City Alexandria	New York	Hav&VCruz Jan 8
Saratoga	New York	Havana Jan 9
City of Berlin	New York	Liverpool Jan 2
Servia	New York	Liverpool Jan 2
Circassia	New York	Glasgow Jan 2
Waesland	New York	Antwerp Jan 2
Arizona	New York	Liverpool Jan 5
City of Chester	New York	Liverpool Jan 6
Philadelphia	New York	Laguayra Jan 6
Alvo	New York	Kingston, &c Jan 6
St Laurent	New York	Havre Jan 7
Cienfuegos	New York	Cienfuegos Jan 7
Polynesian	Portland	Liverpool Jan 7
Oregon	Portland	Liverpool Jan 14

MINIATURE ALMANAC.. DECEMBER 31.

Sun rises	7.17	High water	7.16
Sun sets	4.12		7.49
Length of days	8.55	Height	9 ft 5 in
Moon rises	2.40		8 ft 4 in

MARINE NEWS.

PORT OF PORTLAND.

WEDNESDAY, Dec. 30.

Arrived.

Steamship Polynesian, (Br) Ritchie, Liverpool via Halifax, with passengers and mdse to H & A Allan.

Steamer Berks, Magee, Philadelphia—coal to Randall & McAllister.

Barque Archer, Dunning, Boston, to load for South America. To R Lewis & Co.

Sch Game Cock, Robinson, Calais for Lynn.

Sch Congress, Harris, Rockland for Boston.

Cleared.

Steamship Franconia, Bennet, New York—J B Coyle, Jr.

Brig L Staples, Stowers, Mayaguez, PR—Geo S Hunt & Co.

Sch Carrie Maud, (Br) York, Parrsboro, NS—master.

Sch Ianthe, Lindsay, Prospect Harbor—N Blake

Sch Geo H Holden, Pinkham, Kennebec, to load for New York—J Nickerson & Son.

Sch Mary Elizabeth, Dunton, for Boothbay—D Choate.

SAILED—Sch Geo H Holden.

FROM OUR CORRESPONDENTS.

LUBEC, Dec 28—In the vicinity of Lubec, Eastport, and Grand Manan, a terrific gale was in progress for thirty-six hours, beginning Saturday morning. At Lubec the schr Huntress, Capt Hunt, partially loaded, parted stern fastenings, swung round, smashed in the end of Pike's storehouse, and then grounded, where she remains partly buried in the sand. She will have to discharge and will wait for spring tides to float. She is slightly damaged.

Sch King Phillip, lying at the North side of Staples's wharf, pounded so heavily on bott m that she started keel and planking, and will probably not be repaired.

The schr Harmony, Capt Mitchell, dragged her anchor and went ashore here.

Sch Xylon, Capt Young, from Calais for Rockport, is ashore on Allen's Point, bilged and part of keel gone.

Sch Sea Flower, Wood, of and from Parrsboro for Boston, with ship-knees, dragged ashore in West Quoddy Bay morning 26th. The crew were rescued by men from the Life Station—one man being badly frozen. The vessel lies in a bad position, bilged, keel gone, and full of water.

FROM MERCHANTS' EXCHANGE.

Ar at Newcastle, NSW, Nov 16, barque Edw Kidder, Griffin, Hong Kong; 18th, L J Morse, Veazie, Manila.

Sld fm Calcutta 8th inst, ship Alice D Cooper, Harding, New York.

Passed Anjier Nov 17, ship John C Potter, Curtis, Hiogo for New York; barque Adam W Spies, Field, Manila for do; 19th, ship B Sewall, Ulmer, Hong Kong for do.

Ar at Hamburg Dec 15, barque Goodell, Hagen, Havre.

Ar at Cienfuegos 22d, sch Mima A Reed, Nash, Portland.

Sld fm Valparaiso Nov 6, barque Gleneida, Corning, Coquimbo.

Memoranda.

Barque Robt Porter, from Bonaire for Boston, with salt, spring aleak Dec 13 and kept away for Curacoa, but passed the harbor; then tried to anchor at Amba, where there is no harbor for large vessels. She grounded in the Gulf of Maracaibo and will probably be a total wreck.

Sch T H Livingston, of Belfast, before reported stranded at Matinic, remains in same position and it is now hoped she will come off. A crew of wreckers are now at work on her.

Sch Nellie Eaton, of Calais, lying at her winter anchorage at Pembroke, dragged her anchors and went ashore 26th on the rocks, where she remains badly strained, planking broken, and full of water. Casks have been placed under her, and it is hoped, with the aid of the steamer Woodbury, she will come off.

Sch Cathie C Berry, ashore at Nashawena, is bilged and dry. The captain was at Boston 29th making arrangements to have her floated.

Domestic Ports.

SAN FRANCISCO—Ar 22d, ships Gen Knox, Hall, Liverpool via Valparaiso; Baring Brothers, Pascal, Liverpool, 128 days; Danl Barnes, Stover, Philadelphia, 140 days.

Cld at ship Meroni, Glover, Hong Kong.

GALESTON—Ar 29th, sch E S Newman, Keyes, New York.

PORTLAND—Sld 28th, sch Kate E Morse, for New York.

MOBILE—Ar 29th, sch Lena R Storer, Jones, Kennebec

PENSACOLA—Cld 23d, sch Bessie H Rose, Adams, Rosario.

KEY WEST—Ar 28th, sch Pajaro, Sawyer, fm Abaco.

FERNANDINA—Cld 26th, sch C B Paine, Hillard, Barbados.

JACKSONVILLE—Ar 28th, sch Annie E Rickerson, Foss, New York.

DARIEN—Ar 28th, sch Ella M Hawes, Purington, Charleston.

DARIEN—Ar 29th, sch Lizzie Chadwick, from Boston.

CHARLESTON—Cld 28th, sch Victor Puig, Harris, Baracoa.

Ar 29th, sch Charles E Young, Campbell, New London.

BALTIMORE—Cld 29th barque David Chapin, Hall, Cienfuegos; schs Emma P Hart, Galveston; Thos R Pillsbury, Pensacola.

Ar 29th, sch Adie M Bird, Cushman, Georgetown, DC.

PHILADELPHIA—Ar 28th, sch Geo W Jewet, Sweney, Boston.

Cld 29th, brig Etta Whitmore, Wright, for Port Spain.

Ar 29th, schs A R Weeks, Henley, Portland; City of Augusta, Leady, Boston; Chas B Church, Anderson, do.

Cld 29th, sch Brradier, Cousins, Boston.

NEW YORK—Ar 29th, sch Hattie Newman, Loveland, Jacksonville.

Sld 29th, sch Annie B Hoffses, for Galveston.

Passed the Gate 29th, schs A Heaton, NYork for Rockland; Harry F Perey, and A W Fisk, do for Boston; Geo E Prescott, do for do; Chromo, Elizabethport for Portland.

PERTH AMBOY—Ar 28th, sch Austin D Knight, Drinkwater, New York, to load for Pensacola.

FALL RIVER—Ar 28th, sch Maggie P Smith, Douglas, Somerset for Philadelphia.

Passed up 29th, sch D K Atey, Tainter, NYork for Somerset.

DIGHTON—Ar 28th, sch A J York, Wallace, Portland.

PROVIDENCE—Sld 29th, barque J A Brown, Nickerson, Baltimore.

Sch Annie S Murch, of Ellsworth, will winter at Providence.

NEWPORT—Sld 27th, schs Elizabeth DeHart, McIntyre, New York for Salem; John S Case, Falkingham, Perth Amboy for Boston.

Sch Jas Barrett, of Hallowell, will winter here.

VINEYARD-HAVEN—Ar 28th, schs Willie Martin, Holbrook, and Relief, Willey, South Amboy for Portland; Jennie A Cheney, do for do.

In port, schs Edw A DeHart, Palestine, Telegraph, Edith B Coombs, Nancy J Day, A Peters, Annie E Stevens, Alabama, Maggie J Chadwick, Manitou, A F Crockett, Emma S Briggs, John S Case, Adam Bowlby, St Elmo, Fleetwing, Willie Martin, Relief, Jennie A Cheney, Geo W Glover, Lizzie Cochran, Commerce.

HYANNIS—Ar 29th, sch Geo Nevenger, Merrill, New Bedford for Portland, (lost an anchor off Bass river.)

BOSTON—Ar 30th, schs Marcia Bailey, Cole, Addison; Mary J Elliott, Thurston, Boothbay; Arcola, Campbell, York; Wigwam, Drisko, Millbridge; Ellis P Rogers, Moore, Pleepscot River; Mary Hawes, Cooper, Rockport.

SALEM—Sld 29th, schs Helen, Bunker, New York; Ringleader, Thomas, Thomaston; Ella Brown, Keen, Jonesport.

GLOUCESTER—In port, schs C M Walton, from Boston for Rockport; Fred C Holten, do for Tremont; Harvester, do for Vinalhaven; J K Baker, do for Frankfort; E L Higgins, do for Cutler; Winslow Morse, do for Belfast.

NEWBURYPORT—Sld 28th, sch Franconia, Young, Ellsworth.

PORTSMOUTH—Sld 29th, schs E F Rogers, from Sheepscot River for Boston; W T Emerson, Orland for do; Mary, and Republic, Vinalhaven for do; Smith Tuttle, Boston for Damariscotta.

Foreign Ports.

Ar at Melbourne prev to Dec 26, ship Charles Dennis, Allen, New York; barque Gerard C Tobey, Baker, Port Moody, BC, via Victoria, VI.

At Hong Kong Nov 24, ships Titan, Allen, for New York; Centenial, Bearse, for Philippines; Emily F Whitney, Rollins, unc; Great Admiral, Thompson, and Isaac Reed, Colley, unc; Palmyra, Minot, for San Francisco; barques Richard Parsons, Thorndike; Samuel D Carlton, Freeman, for New York; N Gibson, Bailey, unc.

At Shanghae Nov 19th, ship Wandering Jew, Nichols; M L Stone, Josselyn, unc; barque Mendota, Nash, from Burrard Inlet, ar 18th.

At Calcutta Nov 24, ships Alice D Cooper, Harding, for New York; Saml Skolfield, Bishop, unc; barque Fannie Skolfield, Turner, unc.

Ar at Lisbon Dec 22d, barque Nicola, Brown, Vianna.

At Nanaimo Dec 15, ship America, Harriman, for San Francisco.

At Pernambuco Nov 28, barques Ada P Gould, Henraham, and Formosa, Pierce, unc.

Sld fm St Thomas Dec 8, sch Clifford, Crabtree, Jacmel, to load for New York; 17th, brig Florence I Henderson, Henderson, Navassa.

Ar at Barbadoes 7th, barque Ella, Matthews, Pernambuco, (and sailed 10th for Portland.)

Sld 4th, sch Maud Briggs, Young, Navassa.

At Cienfuegos Dec 19th, barque Neptune, Hill, wtg; brigs Fannie B Tucker, Sylvester, disg; Atalaya, Eye, ldg; schs David W Hunt, Hall, for Colon; Kit Carson, Harding, disg.

At Mayaguez Dec 9, sch Sarah L Davis, Kneeland, Fernandina, disg, for Aux Cayes.

Spoken.

Oct 19, lat 53 23 S, lon 64 20 W, ship William McGilvery, from Liverpool for San Francisco.

THE PRESS.

THURSDAY MORNING, DEC. 31.

PORTLAND AND VICINITY.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS TO-DAY.

AMUSEMENTS.

City Hall Portland Montgomery Guards.
Good Seats—At Stockbridge's.
Coming—Original Nashville Students.
Charity Ball—City Hall.
Stockbridge Course, City Hall.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

Report—Merchants' National Bank.
Found—Horse Blanket.
Maine Central R. R.—Legislative Re-Union.
The Jan'y Century.
Report—Canal National Bank.
To Let—Tenement.
Report—Portland Trust Company.
Notice—Owen, Moore & Co.

Prompt relief in sick headache, dizziness, nausea, constipation, pain in the side, etc., guaranteed to those using Carter's Little Liver Pills. One pill a dose. 25 cts. dec29th&w1w

MUNICIPAL COURT.

BEFORE JUDGE GOULD.

WEDNESDAY—Jeremiah Black. Intoxication; 2d offence; 80 days in county jail.

Thomas Melody. Intoxication; 2d offence. 60 days in county jail.

BRIEF JOTTINGS.

The meeting of the Hurlburt Chautauqua Circle tonight, has been postponed.

It is reported that Mr. Ira P. Farrington has bought the Irving Blake estate on Congress street, for $25,000.

The Parisian, of the Allan line, will sail today, and the Toronto of the Dominion line. The Texas will probably sail Saturday.

A Christmas entertainment will be given by the Garfield Cold Water Battalion at the Reform School this evening.

City Marshal Andrews reports that seventy complaints in regard to non-collection of house offal have been made at the police station in the past five months.

The work would be more surely done if the city would sprinkle the sidewalk with sand and not leave it to the neglect and carelessness of citizens; what is everybody's business is nobody's business—Transcript.

At the meeting of the Citizens' Relief to-night, in City Hall, each member has been provided with credentials, which will be shown at the door, and no one but members will be admitted.

A Chicago despatch says that trouble has arisen among east bound roads on account of a demand by Grand Trunk for a differential rate of $2 on passenger business to Boston, by way of Montreal. Western lines propose to base their rate on the Grand Trunk tariff.

We have received from the Pope Manufacturing Company a handsome calendar, arranged like the popular authors' calendars, each day having a few words in regard to bicycles and bicycling. The calendar bears several pictures, showing the Columbia bicycles and tricycles.

Another great improvement on Congress street is in prospect. We are informed that Gen. Neal Dow and the heirs of the Eben Steele estate will remove the two wooden buildings above the new Franklin block, and erect a block of fine stores on the site. It is proposed to have an ell of the block project on Brown street.

The Charity Ball.

Immediately after the successful party of last season, the committee having it in charge made arrangements for the second one to be given on New Years' night, 1886. Some new names have been added to the committee, and the coming ball which will take place at City Hall tomorrow evening promises to be a particularly brilliant and enjoyable affair. Cosy apartments will be partitioned off with draperies making rooms suitable for card playing and conversation by those who do not care to dance. It is expected that ladies will observe the same rule as regards dress—as that in a private house—none wearing bonnets or wraps will be allowed in the ball room. Gallery tickets are for sale by Loring, Short & Harmon, or may be obtained of the committee. Mr. A. S. Gilson will have charge of the floor, assisted by Messrs. Wm. R. Wood, Howard Gould, G. M. Moore, E. D. Noyes, Dr. J. A. Spalding, William Sweat F. S. Waterhouse and Henry Ring.

Watch Meetings.

A watch meeting will be held at the Pine Street M. E. Church this evening, beginning at 9 o'clock and closing after midnight. The exercises will commence with a service of song, which will be followed by a sermon by the Rev. F. A. Bragdon of Gorham. At the conclusion of the sermon an opportunity will be given for prayer, for testimony and for the relation of Christian experience. The meeting will close with a consecration service. All interested in such exercises are cordially invited to attend.

The usual watch meeting will be observed at the Mission this evening, commencing at 7.30 o'clock, when the following services will be held: 7.30 to 9 p. m., praise, song and love feast; 9.15 to 10 p. m., Bible reading; 10 to 10.30, conversational service; 10.30 to 11.30, temperance meeting; 11.30 to 12, consecration service. All are cordially invited.

The Guard's Ball.

On Thursday evening, Jan. 7th, the Montgomery's will throw open the doors of City Hall to the citizens of Portland, presenting them with an elaborate programme of musical, military and social entertainment. Chandler will play selections from 8 to 9 o'clock. Promptly at 9 o'clock the entire company will perform the ceremony of review. The champion New Haven twenty-four will then execute the manual of arms, marching movements and bayonet exercise to music. The ladies will after the drill hold open house in the reception room until 10 o'clock, when the grand march will start at the sound of the cornet, to be followed by a choice order of dances. Don't fail to secure one of the programmes gotten up for this entertainment.

The Legislative Reunion.

Messrs. J. A. Moore of Thomaston, chairman, Clarence Hale of Portland. G. D. Bisbee of Buckfield, and Geo. A. Wilson of Paris, members of the committee on the mock session to be held during the legislative reunion, held an informal meeting at the Falmouth Hotel last evening. T. H. Weston, H. B. Cleaves, F. E. Richards and other gentlemen were present at some time during the meeting. The idea was expressed that the committee should confine itself to naming a candidate for governor and other high offices, and not attempt to inaugurate the fun, leaving the introduction of bills to the members. A formal meeting of the committee will be held in Augusta today.

Carriers' Addresses.

Tomorrow the PRESS carriers will extend a New Year's greeting to our readers. If the lads have pleased our patrons during the year they will thankfully receive any testimonial the subscribers may be pleased to bestow.

The post office carriers should be substantially remembered. As long as they are compelled to make pack horses of themselves for the holiday season, without the extra compensation the government should allow them, they can naturally only look to the kindness of citizens on their routes for remembrance.

Fresh Fish Dealers' Conference.

A conference was held here Tuesday afternoon and evening between representatives of Boston and Massachusetts fresh fish dealers and dealers here. It is understood that the object sought to be attained is to induce the dealers in fresh fish here to unite with the Boston dealers in selling fresh fish at a schedule price, and in this way to get rid of the present method of doing business. It is understood that the Portland dealers are generally favorable to the idea of uniting with the New York and Boston dealers in this matter.

Fort Loyall.

Mr. John T. Hull's paper on the siege and capture of Fort Loyall, read before the Genealogical Society and published in pamphlet form by order of the City Government, is out, and we shall publish a review of the pamphlet in a few days. The book is very neatly and clearly printed by Owen, Strout & Co. of this city, and is very creditable to them.

Irish National League.

There will be a meeting of the Portland Branch of the Irish National League at the I. A. R. A. Hall on Plum street, this evening. All interested are requested to attend. It is expected that the secretary will have a charter for the branch, and cards of membership for the members, from the national secretary,

FIRE AT DEERING.

The House and Barn of Oliver Plummer Destroyed.

Surrounding Buildings Endangered—A Long Line of Hose.

The alarm of fire from Box 65 last night was occasioned by the discovery of flames in the stable in the rear of the new house on Fessenden street, Deering, owned and occupied by Mr. Alvin Plummer, the carpenter and builder. Mr. Nelson, whose house is next that of Mr. Plummer, was the first person to discover the flames, and he raised an alarm.

The origin of the fire is not known. Mr. Plummer and his family went to Raymond Tuesday, and the house and stable were closed. It is thought that the fire may have been accidentally set by some tramp who effected an entrance into the stable in order to sleep there. Mr. Nelson was powerless to stop the progress of the flames, and the stable was soon blazing freely. The neighbors who ran to the scene lent willing hands, and the work of removing the furniture from the house was at once begun, while the fire made its way through the shed connecting the house with the stable, to the ell. The house was new, and in the still air the green wood burned slowly, giving time in which to remove the contents of the house in good condition. Everything of value was saved, the piano taken out in good order, the doors removed, and even the hot air furnace taken from the cellar.

A pipe for Sebago water runs through Fessenden street, but there is no hydrant there, and consequently the two Portland steamers which responded to the alarm—Cumberland No. 3, and Falmouth No. 4,—were powerless to do any effective work until sufficient hose had been got to lay a line through Fessenden street to the shell road, and from there to the pottery, where water could be obtained. Steamer No. 4 took up a position near the pottery and pumped water into No. 3, which engine, stationed at the corner of the two streets, in turn forced the water into the burning building. The line of hose measured 3000 feet. A part of the hose belonged to the hand reel at Libby's Corner, which was brought to the scene by a volunteer crew in short order.

It was nearly 1.30 o'clock when the water was turned on, and the stable was by that time level with the ground, the ell of the house entirely consumed and the flames working their way along under the roof of the main house, as was evinced by the dense volumes of smoke which hung over the building. The flames were extinguished before the house was entirely consumed. The house and stable were worth about $5,000, and the loss will nearly equal that sum. Mr. Plummer is insured in the agency of Rollins & Adams.

Showers of sparks rose from the burning house and fell on the surrounding houses. As all the houses on the street are of wood and placed near together, had there been a strong wind some of them must have been ignited. As it was, Mr. Nelson was obliged to wet the roof of his stable, and surrounding trees were on fire several times. It was reported that a horse perished in the flames, but the report could not be substantiated.

Great credit is due the fire department for the manner in which they went to work in laying a line of hose over half a mile in length, and also the neighbors are deserving of mention for the careful way in which they removed the furniture.

SLAVE MUSIC.

Dr. Powell's Lecture in the Y. M. C. A. Course.

A large audience gathered last evening at the City Hall, to listen to the lecture by the Rev. James Powell, D. D., of New York, upon the unique and popular theme, "The Slave Music of the South." The lecturer, who has traveled extensively in the South, and given especial study to the habits and life of the negro race, was well qualified to present with great force this subject. He began by saying that though the subject was new the subject matter was old as eternity. Music is found in all things, but song is found only in man. Song as representing the emotions of the human soul, had a limitless sphere before it for development. It expressed itself along the channel of tune and poetry. The slave music of the South impressed the student first, with the intimacy of the connection between the sentiment of the words and the tune. The lecturer argued that this was natural, inasmuch as the slave music belonged to the early period of musical development, when verse maker, tune-composer and verse singer were one and the same individual. He illustrated this point by an old colored woman, who at his request, once improvised a song and tune:

"Oh, Marsa Jesus took my feet
From out the mire and clay;
And sat me in a rocking chair
To sing glory all the day."

Second—This music was born out of deep feeling, another mark of its genuineness. The religious and patriotic feelings are the deepest, therefore music, religious and patriotic, is the best. The war and religion inspired songs, both of the ancient and modern worlds, are the best we have. The negro slave had no patriotism to inspire his song, but he had religion; and the deeper his sorrows the sweeter came forth his songs. He referred to the fact that the Jews, who, as a people, have suffered most in the world, have been at the front in the production and patronage of the best music. These slave songs were the expressions of soul pains felt from the force of oppression.

Third—This was the only unique American music that we have. Every other form of music could be found in other countries, but this nowhere else. The nature of the negro, the circumstances in which he was placed as a slave and the influence of Christianity accounted for this unique fact. The negro is so musical that in his walk, in the swinging of the whip, and the brushing of a coat may be seen the movements of tune time. When the crack of the whip strikes the mule, the lecturer said, it was nothing but a musical note, though the mule did not think so.

Fourth—This music divides into three classes—hymns, which express experience and doctrine; spirituals, which express biblical narrative and biography; and religio-sentimentals, which express common events in a religious phrase. These different classes were illustrated by selections rendered by the First Parish choir, and were explained by anecdotes related by the speaker under each head.

Fifth—In answer to the question what the musical critical world thought of this slave music, he replied by pointing to the results of the singing campaigns of the jubilee singers in this country and in Europe.

The lecturer closed by drawing a parallel between the effect produced by the fabled strains of Memnon and that produced by the singing of the slave songs, astonishment that music so sweet could come from such a source, and delight that coupled with its sweetness was the assurance that the darkness of slavery was ended and the day of freedom had come.

The choir rendered with most excellent effect the following selections: "Turn Back Pharaoh's Army," "The Ten Virgins," and "My Lord's writing all the time." So effective was the singing that the audience each time called for more.

PERSONAL.

Mrs. Henry M. Payson has contributed $25 towards the new Industrial School for Girls.

Superintendent of School Buildings F. E. Pray is seriously ill.

Governor and Mrs. Robie will be present at the children's festival at the Orphans' Home in Bath this evening.

Hon. F. E. Richards and Mrs. Richards of Camden have taken up their winter residence at the Falmouth Hotel.

Rt. Rev. Bishop Healy and brother, the Rev. P. F. Healy, S. J., will sail on the Parisian of the Allan line today.

Mr. Weymouth of Cape Elizabeth, who was supposed drowned by the foundering of the schooner Breeze, at Grand Manan, in the gale Saturday, succeeded in reaching the shore safely, but the vessel went to pieces.

W. O. Fuller and wife, Rockland; Capt. Ritchie, steamer Polynesian; M. Green, Montreal; E. M. Stilwell, Bangor, J. E. Moore, Thomaston; and J. T. Bronson, Boston, were among the guests at the Falmouth Hotel last night.

Fire at Col. Dow's.

Yesterday afternoon a fire was discovered in the stable of Hon. F. N. Dow and there was a narrow escape from a serious conflagration. The fire caught from a stove and ran up into the second story. A chamber set was destroyed and other damage was done to the amount of $150 or $200. The fire came within about two feet of several tons of hay. The men from No. 3's house were summoned and it was by their good wook that the fire was got under control.

IN THE RINKS.

POLO TONIGHT.

Tonight at the Bijou the home club will play a league game with the Granite Citys, and after their brilliant victory of Tuesday night at Augusta the friends of the team expect a good game and a victory. There should be a good attendance.

Arrival of the Polynesian.

The Allan steamship Polynesian, Captain Ritchie from Liverpool the 17th, for Portland via Moville and Halifax, sailed from Moville at noon on Saturday, the 19th, and arrived at Halifax at 2.30 p. m. Monday, the 28th, having been detained 27 hours off the harbor by fog. She continued on her voyage at 6.15 a. m. Tuesday, the 29th, and arrived at Portland at 7 a. m. yesterday She brought 45 passengers and 1750 tons of cargo to this port.

Real Estate Transfers.

The following transfers of real estate in the county have been recorded at the registry of deeds:

Portland—City of Portland to Julia N. Rich, land. $400.

Mary A. Cobb to Caleb C. Buck, land and buildings. $1 and other consideration.

Cape Elizabeth—Henry P. and Eldridge G. Bennett to Wm. M. Burgess, land. $1 and other consideration.

Deering—Robert McCloskey to Daniel M. Hawkes, land. $200.

Bank Dividends.

The banks have declared the following dividends payable January 2d, 1886:

	Per ct.	Capital.	Amount.
First National	5	$1,000,000	$50,000
Cumberland National	4	250,000	10,000
Canal National	5	600,000	30,000
Casco National	4	800,000	32,000
Merchants National	5	300,000	15,000
Traders National	4	300,000	12,000
Portland Trust Co.	4	100,000	4,000
		$3,350,000	$153,000

The Trust Company dividend is free of all taxes.

Longfellow Lodge.

The following were elected officers of Longfellow Lodge, K. of P., last night:

C. C.—L. A. Gould.
V. C.—Charles M. Tisley.
P.—Joseph H. Hutchins.
K. of R. and S.—Stephen K. Marsh.
M. of F.—Norman True.
M. of E.—W. S. Banks.
M. at A.—George F. Pierce.
Trustee for Three Years—W. H. Sanborn.
Representative of Pythian Hall Association—Howard Taylor.
Representative to Grand Lodge, for Two Years—H. A. Hallett, H. F. Libby.

Card of Thanks.

Mr. W. H. Baxter and family desire to express their heartfelt thanks to their neighbors and friends for their kindness and assistance at the time of the alarm of fire at their residence on Pleasant street, Deering; especially for the extreme care exercised in moving, and returning their household goods, which could not have been greater if they had been their own. It is one of the compensations of such misfortunes to teach us the value of friends and neighbors.

THE INSANE HOSPITAL.

The Annual Report of the Officers of the Institution.

The following is an abstract of the forthcoming reports of the officers of the Maine Insane Hospital:

THE TRUSTEES' REPORT.

The board of trustees is composed of James Weymouth, Joseph H. Manley, Daniel O. Bowen, Mrs. Emma J. Torsey, Elbridge A. Thompson and Jeremiah W. Dearborn. In their annual report they say that the hospital year just closing has been one of marked success. The increased number of recoveries, the diminished rate of mortality, and the practical freedom of the institution from debt, show that its condition has never been more satisfactory, and never was it in a state of greater prosperity and usefulness than it is today. In the number of patients admitted and cared for, there has been a marked increase over any preceding year during the forty-five years' existence of the hospital. The average percentage of recoveries for the year is greater and the rate of mortality lower than the average for the preceding ten years. The increased facilities for better classification of inmates, afforded by the erection of new pavilions with their modern conveniences and well ventilated rooms, has materially tended to improve the condition of the patients, and to increase the percentage of recoveries.

Additional attention has been given to extending and improving the sanitary condition of the hospital. The products of the farm have been about the average of former years. The products of the garden and green house have continued to prove valuable auxiliaries to the health and happiness of the patients. Mr. Wm. H. Allen still has charge of this department and renders it a source of revenue to the institution.

There are now 28 criminal insane persons confined in the hospital under the provisions of chapter 137 of the Revised Statutes. No provision has been made for the separation of these patients from the others, The necessity of such separation is strongly urged.

The trustees speak in high terms of the continued and valuable services of the superintendent, Dr. Bigelow T. Sanborn, who has thoroughly fitted himself by study and practice for the difficult and delicate duties of his from. He has been patient, tender, firm and watchful. In all his efforts he has been ably seconded by his assistants, Drs. Hill and Davis. The other officers are also commended for their faithfulness and efficiency. Tender and appreciative words are said concerning the death of one of the trustees, Hon. Joseph T. Hinckley of Bluehill, and the report of the trustees closes with a tribute to the late ex-Gov. Coburn, a life-long patron of the hospital, whose kind heart ever went out to the poor, the unfortunate and the deserving.

THE SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT.

The vital statistics concerning the patients are reached when we come to the report of the superintendent, Dr. B. T. Sanborn. He reports that the operations of the hospital for the past year have been crowned with unusual success. Rest, comfort and cure have been vouchsafed to many who have sought the care of the Asylum. The labors of the past year have not only been attended with unusually satisfactory results, in the marked increased percentage of recoveries over the previous year, but equal prosperity has been obtained in the decrease in the percentage of the death-rate, as compared with the preceding year. The percentage of recoveries, based upon admissions, exceeds the average for the past ten years, being 32.13 per cent during the present fiscal year; and 27.75 per cent during the past decade. The percentage of recoveries during the past twelve months exceeds the average for the last five years by more than five per cent. There have been no painful accidents, no homicides, and with the exception of one suicide, nothing has occurred to mar the comfort or well-being of any resident of the Hospital.

At the beginning of the year, Dec. 1, 1884, there were resident in the Hospital 460 patients, 232 men and 228 women. Two hundred and forty-nine have been admitted since—153 men and 96 women; making the whole number under treatment 709—385 men and 324 women. Of these there have been discharged 223—147 men and 79 women, leaving at the close of the year 486—241 men and 245 women. One hundred and ninety-eight of those admitted during the year were on their first admission. 24 on their second, 15 on their third, 4 on their fourth, 4 on their fifth, 2 on their sixth, 1 on his tenth, and one on his thirteenth. Condition of those discharged: Recovered 80—47 men 33 women; improved, 54—35 men and 15 women; unimproved, 12—8 men and 4 women; died, 77—50 men and 27 women. Of the 80 discharged recoveries, 42—38 men and 22 women, were on their first admission; 13—8 men and 5 women, were on their second; 6 women on their third; 2 men on the fourth; and 2 men on their fifth.

The assigned causes of insanity in those admitted during the year are as follows: Business embarrassment, 2 men; critical period of life, 9 women; congenital, 1 man; cardiac disease, 1 woman; disappointed affections, 1 man and 2 women; domestic trouble, 5—2 men and 3 women; disease of the spine, 2 women; domestic affliction, 6—3 men and 3 women; dissolute life, 1 woman; desertion, 2 women; excessive venery, 1 man; epilepsy, 14—9 men and 5 women; ill health 39—19 men and 20 women; intemperance, 24 men; injury of spine, 2—1 man and 1 woman; injury of head, 3 women; loss of property, 6 men; lactation, 1 woman; masturbation, 11 men; measles, 1 man; over exertion, 11—7 men and 4 women; opium habit, 2—1 man and 1 woman; puerperal, 5 women; puberty, 2 women; poverty, 1 woman; paralysis, 5—4 men and 1 woman; senility, 11—5 men and 6 women; spiritualism, 1 woman; sunstroke, 3 men; typhoid fever, 1 man; uterine disease, 1 woman; unknown, 70—30 men and 22 women.

The social condition of admitted during the year is found to be as follows: 113 were married—70 men and 43 women; 103 were single—69 men and 34 women; 33 were widowed—14 men and 19 women.

The occupation of those admitted to the hospital during the year was as follows: Farmer, 2 men; baker, 1 man; barber, 1 man; butcher, 1 man; blacksmith, 1 man; brick mason, 2 men; canvasser, 1 man; calker, 1 man; commercial traveller, 1 man; cooper, 1 man; clerk, 2 men; clergyman, 1 man; domestic, 16 women; dressmaker, 3 women; elocutionist, 1 man; farmer, 44 men; freight agent, 1 man; fisherman, 3 men; granite dealer, 1 man; housewife, 33 women; housekeeper, 24 women; harness maker, 1 man; ice dealer, 1 man; laborer, 33 men; lawyer, 1 man; lumberman, 1 man; musician, 1 man; mill operative, 4 men; machinist, 4 men; no occupation, 17 men and 10 women; rigger, 1 man; school teacher, 4 women; student, 3 men; stone mason, 1 man; soldier, 7 men; spinster, 6 women; sailmaker, 1 man; school boy, 1 boy; seaman, 3 men; sea captain, 1 man; ship carpenter, 1 man; ship steward, 1 man; station agent, 1 man; stone cutter, 2 men: truckman, 1 man; tinsmith, 1 man; vagrant, 1 man.

The hospital has now been in operation forty-five years, during which time 6613 patients have been admitted, and 6127 have been discharged. Of the latter, 1216 improved. 1027 did not improve, and 1420 died. The actual number of individual patients admitted has been 5009. The daily average number of patients for the year has been 474. They have been supported in the following manner: 39 by their own means or by relatives; 65 entirely by the State; and 382 have received State aid of $1.50 per week, towns or individuals paying the balance.

Good results have been secured in the treatment of patients by the use of drugs, but in many cases where the diagnosis of physical disease is not so apparent, other factors besides drugs are brought into requisition—the mind is diverted from "preying upon itself,"—judicius employment is had in the open air, healthful and discreet recreation and amusement, are among the most potent factors in the usual treatment of the insane, and all of these have been employed. A special effort has been made to give employment to the women; in pleasant weather the patients of both sexes have been taken out for exercise; paroles have been granted to a large number, and the beneficial efforts of the same are noticeable.

The library continues to be appreciated, and the reading room which was established last year, is well patronized by both sexes. The Superintendent makes grateful acknowledgements to the many friends of the patients who have during the year contributed in many ways to their enjoyment and entertainment, by the way of reading matter, dramatic entertainments, concerts, and the like.

THE CHAPLAIN AND TREASURER.

Rev. C. F. Penney, so long the chaplain of the Hospital, submits his annual report. Religious services have been held during the year on every Sunday afternoon. Great interest is taken in the services and satisfaction expressed. The class of hearers is large whose mental condition is such that the consolations and hopes of the gospel of Christ afford peculiar comfort and cheer.

Mr. John W. Chase, the able and efficient steward and treasurer, who entered upon his duties during the past year, presents an itemized account of the products of the farm, etc., and a table showing the financial transactions during the year.

From the treasurer's books we take the following figures:

Dr.

Balance cash on hand Nov. 30, 1884.	$2,967.51
Total receipts of cash for year ending Nov. 30, 1885	107,861.46
	$110,828.97

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Total disbursements of cash for year endng, Nov. 30, 1885	$108,552.44
Balance cash on hand Nov. 30, 1885.	2,276.53
	$110,828.97

THE STATE.

ANDROSCOGGIN COUNTY.

A cucumber laid in a Lewiston paint shop last fall has been preserved in nearly perfect condition until the present time. Something in the air of the shop seems to have acted as a preservative. When placed in another shop the other day it began to decay immediately.

Caspar Klusener, eight years old, son of Hyrman Klusener of Lewiston, was hanging on the back of a wagon with some other boys, Tuesday forenoon, enjoying a ride. In some way his hold on the wagon loosened and he fell, striking on the back of his head on the icy road. The physicians pronounce it a fracture of the base of the brain. He bled from both ears, the blood flowing in streams as they carried him along. He was insensible when the doctor arrived. They are afraid that he will not recover.

A cooper shop belonging to Jacob Borneman, and occupied by L. Pettingill, manufacturing shook, at Curtis Corner, was burned Wednesday morning soon after commencing work. The fire caught in the lathing overhead. Loss $100. Pettingill's loss in staves $100. Tools saved, also about 200 shook.

KENNEBEC COUNTY.

The Gardiner Journal says: "The Kennebec ice men have spent much time and money the present month, with tugs and row boats, trying to secure a good field of ice. Under the circumstances those who did nothing are the best off, as to costs if not in fields."

The Knights of Labor have reached Augusta, and active measures are being taken to form an organization there.

Councilman Hatch was taken ill Tuesday and is confined to his room at the Augusta House.

Geo. W. Brown and family, whose unfortunate history has been published, have hired a house on the east side of the river in Augusta and will reside there in the future.

Some of the worst specimens of tramps have been seen around Gardiner lately that it is possible to imagine. One applied for lodgings at a house in the suburbs recently, who had no shoes or stockings, his feet being tied up in meal sacks.

The oil portrait of ex.Gov. Morrill, painted by Bicknell of Boston at a cost of $1,000, to be presented to the State during the week of the reunion, has arrived in Augusta and is in the rotunda of the State House.

The directors of the Augusta National Bank have voted to make a dividend of 3 per cent. to the stockholders on the capital stock of the bank, payable on and after Monday, Jan. 4, 1886.

OXFORD COUNTY.

The term of the South Paris postmaster expired last July, and he is patiently waiting for the appointment of a successor.

The Baptist church at Paris will soon be completed. They are waiting now for the arrival of several memorial windows given in memory of former residents of the town. The Wilson family give one in memory of Rev. Adam Wilson, D. D. The erection of a beautiful church has drawn to the village a number of Baptist families.

PENOBSCOT COUNTY.

Mr. Charles P. Turner, one of the postal clerks who was so severely injured in the bad accident to the "Owl" express train on the New York & New Haven railroad last Sunday morning, is a Bangor boy.

Bangor hay dealers report business very dull.

Two Oldtown boys, one 13 and the other 17 years old, stole a pocket book containing $260 from a drug store in that town and started for Bangor to celebrate. While on the train Conductor Hathaway noticed their nervous condition, and knowing of the loss, obtained a confession by a series of adroit questions. The boys were taken back to Oldtown, and the money restored to the owner.

SAGADAHOC COUNTY.

Rev. A. H. Morrell, a former pastor of the North street church in Bath, died of neuralgia of the heart, at Irvington, N. J., where his two sons reside, while on his way from Bangor to Harper's Ferry, where he was at the head of a freedmen's mission. Mr. Morrell purchased a farm in Georgetown, in this State, last fall, and was intending to make his summer home there, though still purposing to carry on the mission work at Harper's Ferry.

A Mrs. Campbell of Winnegance, aged 76 years, died at the residence of her daughter, Mrs. P. Gerry of Bath, very suddenly, Tuesday evening, just after she had retired. She appeared in usual health in the evening.

SOMERSET COUNTY.

The Pittsfield Advertiser says that Clarence Woodbury, second son of J. L. Woodbury of Canaan, died recently from the effects of vaccination.

WASHINGTON COUNTY.

Duel Marshall, who was examined before Justice Crilley of St. Stephen, recently, on the charge of stealing the horse and buggy of Dr. C. E. Swan of Calais, was to have been sent to St. Andrews jail to await trial; but on Monday of last week he escaped from the St. Stephen lockup and is now in parts unknown.

MARRIAGES.

In this city, Dec. 29, by Rev. C. J. Clark, D. D., Frederic Bilby and Mrs. Mary M. H. Folsom, both of Portland.

In this city, Dec. 30, by Rev. A. H. Wright, R. Cutler Libby and Miss Amelia F. Brewer, both of Portland.

In Brownfield, Dec. 23, by Rev. E. S. Jordan, Manville D. Scavey and Miss Laura E. Wakefield, both of Brownfield.

In Saco, Dec 30, by Rev. E. C. Ingalls, Richard M. McKenney and Miss Julia M. Littlefield, both of Saco.

DEATHS.

In Stroudwater Village, Deering, Dec. 29, James Parker, aged 84 years 6 months.

[Funeral on Friday afternoon at 2 o'clock, from his late residence.

In Scio, N. Y., Nov. 22, Mrs. Esther B. Hale, widow of the late Stephen Hale, Esq., and daughter of the late Dr. David Jones of Yarmouth, aged 95 years.

In Farmingdale, Dec. 23, Eben F. Oliver, aged 58 years.

In Gardiner, Dec. 24, Gideon Bowley, aged 73 years.

[The funeral of the late John E. Murphy will take place this Thursday afternoon at 2 o'clock at his late residence, No. 56 Oak street.

Back and Shoulders

Are the parts usually attacked by rheumatism; and the joints at the knees, ankles, hips, wrists are also sometimes affected. The cause of rheumatism is lactic acid circulating with the blood, which attacks the joints and causes the pain and aches of the disease. Hood's Sarsaparilla purifies and enriches the blood, and has proven a wonderful remedy for rheumatism.

Could Hardly Walk.

"I was troubled very much with rheumatism in my hips, ankles, and wrists; in fact, I could hardly walk, and was confined to my bed a good deal of my time. I was also very bilious and suffered severely. I was recommended to try Hood's Sarsaparilla, which I did. I have taken four bottles and am well. I gladly recommend Hood's Sarsaparilla." W. F. WOOD, Bloomington, Ill.

Rheumatic Fever.

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(NO. 1023)

AT PORTLAND, IN THE STATE OF MAINE,

at the close of business, Dec. 24, 1885.

RESOURCES:

Loans and discounts	$ 757,331 69
Overdrafts	1 39
U. S. Bonds to secure circulation	292,000 00
U. S. Bonds to secure deposits	70,000 00
Other stocks, bonds, and mortgages	3,492 40
Due from approved reserve agents	31,533 89
Due from other National Banks	13,753 62
Real estate, furniture, and fixtures	24,000 00
Current expenses and taxes paid	5,901 59
Checks and other cash items	2,703 36
Exchanges for clearing-house	16,087 35
Bills of other Banks	15,386 00
Fractional paper currency, nickels and pennies	227 97
Specie	33,800 00
Legal tender notes	3,000 00
Redemption fund with U. S. Treasurer (5 per cent of circulation)	13,140 00
TOTAL	$1,282,359 34

LIABILITIES:

Capital stock paid in	$ 300,000 00
Surplus fund	60,000 00
Undivided profits	135,352 00
National bank notes outstanding	262,800 00
Dividends unpaid	1,907 79
Individual deposits subject to check	344,591 18
Demand certificates of deposit	39,000 00
Certified checks	1,103 03
Cashier's checks outstanding	66,551 85
United States deposits	24,138 07
Deposits of U. S. disbursing officers	24,109 04
Due to other National Banks	22,866 38
TOTAL	$1,282,359 34

STATE OF MAINE, COUNTY OF CUMBERLAND, S.S.

I, Chas. Payson, Cashier of the above named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

CHAS. PAYSON, Cashier.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 30th day of Dec., 1885. CHAS. O. BANCROFT, Notary Public.

CORRECT—Attest:

JACOB McLELLAN, GEO. S. HANT, D.W. KENSELL, } Directors.

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REPORT OF THE CONDITION

—OF THE—

Canal National Bank

OF PORTLAND, ME.,

at the close of business Dec. 24, 1885.

RESOURCES.

Loans and discounts	$1,294,646.05
U. S. Bonds to secure circulation	500,000.00
Due from reserve agents	25,855.16
Due from other National Banks	86,762.41
Real estate	5,000.00
Current expenses and taxes paid	7,444.99
Checks and other cash items	8,451.67
Exchanges for clearing house	34,323.17
Bills of other Banks	14,488.00
Fractional currency, nickels and cents	71.56
Gold coin	46,374.00
U. S. treasury certificates	9,000.00
Silver coin	2,879.80
Legal tender notes	15,000.00
Five per cent redemption fund	22,500.00
	$2,066,800.81

LIABILITIES.

Capital stock	$600,000.00
Surplus fund	120,000.00
Other undivided profits	271,936.14
Circulating notes outstanding	445,180.00
Dividends unpaid	1,341.04
Individual deposits subject to check.	541,488.42
Demand certificates of deposit	1,856.69
Certified checks	10,257.70
Cashier's checks outstanding	9,622.96
Due to other National Banks	65,118.55
	$2,066,800.81

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I, B. C. Somerby, Cashier of "The Canal National Bank of Portland"